

# 130th Session, Mississippi Baptist Convention, Next Week

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FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF JACKSON where Mississippi Baptist Convention will meet November 16-18.

# Constructive Program Planned for Convention

## COOPERATIVE GIFTS TOP \$3,000,000

Mississippi Baptists have given over \$3,000,000 to world missions through the Cooperative Program for the first time in one year, it has been announced by Dr. Chester L. Quarles, Jackson, state Baptist executive secretary-treasurer.

Contributions from

the churches of the convention for the convention year ending Oct. 31 totaled \$3,000,922.79, which was \$2,922.79 over the budget goal and the first time in history that the \$3,000,000 figure was ever topped.

Gifts for the month of October were \$373,301.20, the largest single month's contribution on record, Dr. Quarles added.

The previous high month was January of this year when \$314,478.62 was given.

The check that put the receipts over the budget goal figure of \$2,998,000 was one from the First Church of Laurel. Dr. T. R. McKibbens, pastor, is president of the State Convention Board, which prepares the budget each year for presentation to the convention.

Rev. John Alexander, secretary of stewardship, said that this coming year's budget, to be voted on by the convention next week, is \$3,240,000.

### Principal Channel

The Cooperative program is the principal channel of mission giving of the denomination and accounts for about two-thirds of the total mission gifts.

Cooperative Program funds are divided proportionately among all the causes sponsored by Mississippi and Southern Baptists while designated contributions go to the causes so designated.

The Cooperative Program is used as the principal channel of mission giving not only by the Mississippi Baptist Convention but by all the cooperating states in the Southern Baptist Convention.

The Cooperative Program was adopted as the lifeline of mission giving by the convention at its annual session in Memphis in 1928.

## Enrolment Figures Given

NASHVILLE (BP) — Net enrolment at all levels of higher education maintained by Southern Baptists has reached 68,752 this year compared with 62,000 a year ago, the executive secretary of the Convention's Education Commission announced here.

Secretary Rabun L. Brantley's report includes five categories of schools—senior colleges, junior colleges, seminaries, academies and Bible schools. There are 73 institutions in all, against 72 a year ago.

The new one is the Baptist College at Charleston (S. C.) in the senior college ranks. Net enrolment was up on Oct. 1, 1965 over the same day in 1964 in senior colleges, junior colleges and Bible schools. It was down slightly in seminaries and academies, Brantley continued.

The 39 senior colleges had a combined net enrolment of 51,418 this fall compared with 46,574 a year ago. The seven classes as seminaries had a combined net enrolment of 4181 in October 1964 but dropped to 4130 this fall.

The 15 junior colleges had a net enrolment of 10,120 this fall compared with 8105 the year before, according to Brantley.

Academies (there are seven of these) declined over the year from 2555 to 2451, the commission executive secretary reported. The five Bible schools, on the other hand, rose from 585 to 633 students in net enrolment.

"Net enrolment" is a term generally used to include only students who take 12 hours of class work or more at a time. Thus, they are considered full-time students.

A higher figure is counted when to "net enrolment" are added students taking special, non-credit, extension and correspondence work. Some of these might be taking just one

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## SUGGESTED ORDER OF BUSINESS Mississippi Baptist Convention

Nov. 16-18, 1965  
First Baptist Church, Jackson

### Tuesday Morning

- 9:15 Organ Prelude—Hazel Chisholm
- 9:30 Song and Praise—Royce Blackmon
- 9:35 Scripture—Ernest Rockwell  
Prayer—T. E. Elam  
Solo—Bette Stalmecker  
Biblical Message—Wilbur Swartz
- 10:00 Organization of Convention  
Call to Order  
Recognition of Messengers  
Report of Committee on Order of Business
- 10:10—Welcome and Announcements
- 10:15 Introduction of New Workers—Chester L. Quarles  
Pastors  
Music and Educational Directors  
Superintendents of Associational Missions  
Directors of Student Work  
State Workers
- 10:30 President's Address—Earl Kelly
- 11:05 Report of Committee on Committees
- 11:20 Resolutions Presented and Referred
- 11:25 Presentation of Budget—Bob Ramsay
- 11:35 Special Music—Gilfoy School of Nursing
- 11:40 Worship Hour  
Scripture and Prayer  
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Dr. Earl Kelly



Rev. Clarence Cutrell

## Report From Rome

By W. Barry Garrett

VATICAN CITY (BP)—The Declaration on Religious Liberty by the Vatican Council in session here is now in its seventh revision after being overwhelmingly approved by the Catholic bishops from all over the world.

Changes in the declaration will be made on the basis of suggestions made by 543 bishops in their qualified vote of approval. Although the basic positions of the document cannot be altered, minor changes can be made when it is brought back for final approval.

The declaration says that the Catholic position is for freedom of conscience for all

men and that no person or group can be coerced in matters of religious practice.

It also states that full religious liberty must be guaranteed to all religious groups in both private and public exercise of their religion. It says it is the function of the state to guarantee these freedoms.

Bishop Emile Josef De Smedt of Bruges, Belgium, in the name of the Secretariat for Promoting Christian Unity, explained the new text on religious liberty to the Council. The changes in the text consist largely in the addition of a section designed to win the votes of traditionalist bishops who have been re-

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A constructive, far-reaching and interesting program has been planned for the one hundred thirtieth session of the Mississippi Baptist Convention, to be held Nov. 16-18 in Jackson's First Baptist Church.

Messengers from the 1839 churches in the convention will meet to hear inspirational messages and music, adopt reports of their cooperative work, consider a record mission budget for 1965-66 and make plans for future work and progress.

The convention will begin Tuesday morning at 9:15 o'clock in Jackson's First Baptist Church and will conclude with a huge youth night session Thursday evening in the Mississippi Coliseum.

All sessions will be held in the host church, Dr. W. Douglas Hudgins, pastor, except the youth night meeting.

Visiting inspirational speakers will include Dr. Wayne Dehoney, pastor of First Baptist Church, Jackson, Tenn., and president of the Southern Baptist Convention; Dr. J. D. Gray, pastor of First Baptist Church, New Orleans; Dr. Harold Graves, president of Golden Gate Baptist Seminary, Mill Valley, Calif.; Dr. Josef Nordenhaug, general secretary, Baptist World Alliance, Washington, D. C.; Dr. Jess Moody, pastor of First Baptist Church, West Palm Beach, Fla.; Rev. Curtis Askew, missionary to Japan; Dr. Porter Routh, executive secretary of the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention, Nashville, Tenn.; and Dr. Warren Hultgren, pastor of First Baptist Church, Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Dr. Moody will also be the principal speaker for the annual youth night session to be held in the Coliseum.

The Biblical message to be given at the beginning of each session will be delivered by Wilbur Swartz, professor of speech at New Orleans Baptist Seminary.

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## Monday Will Be Important Day

Monday before the opening Tuesday of the Mississippi Baptist Convention will be a busy and important day for Mississippi Baptists.

The day will witness the State Brotherhood Rally at the First Baptist Church and the annual pre-convention session of the State Convention Board to be held at the Baptist Building in Jackson.

The meeting of the board is scheduled to be called to order by the president, Dr. T. R. McKibbens, of Laurel.

The annual State Brotherhood Rally will get underway at the host church at 3:00 p.m. with Frank Black, associate in the Baptist Brotherhood Commission, Memphis, as the principal speaker.

Rev. E. L. Howell, Jackson, secretary of the Brotherhood Department sponsoring agency, said that an overflow crowd of Baptist men from every section of the state is expected for the closing evening session.

The visiting principal speakers for this session, to begin at 7:30 o'clock, will be Dr. Baker James Cauthen, executive secretary of the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board and Dr. C. E. Carlson, executive director of the Baptist Joint Committee on Public Affairs, Washington, D.C.

Howard Music Director  
Music director for the Rally Building in Jackson at the

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## 70 Ministers Of Music Needed

Mississippi Baptist churches have been asked to provide 70 ministers of music to participate in the giant "Chicago Music Witnessing Crusade" planned for April 18-29, 1966.

This will be the music participation in "Operation Penetration," a huge evangelistic crusade that has been planned for the entire Great Lakes area.

This crusade is being sponsored by Illinois Baptists, assisted by the Sunday School Board, the Home Mission Board and several other state conventions.

The music ministers who participate will be expected to lead music for a revival meeting in one church, do personal witnessing, provide music training as opportunity is afforded and join with a men's chorus in presenting a program of sacred music on Sunday afternoon.

Churches that provide their minister of music for the crusade will be expected to take care of his travel expense. His accommodations in Chicago would be provided for by the local churches.

Dan C. Hall, church music secretary, has urged every church that can possible send its minister of music to contact him at P. O. Box 530, Jackson, Miss.

## Americans United In Annual Meeting

WASHINGTON, D. C. (POAU)—In an address to the annual meeting of Protestants and Other Americans United for Separation of Church and State at Constitution Hall, Thursday evening, October 28, Executive Director Glenn L. Archer declared:

"Certain denominational leaders of Protestantism who presume to speak for all the churches have endorsed Federal legislation which seriously undermines the independence of these institutions. However good their motives, they are turning organized religion into a department, minor though it be, of the U. S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare.

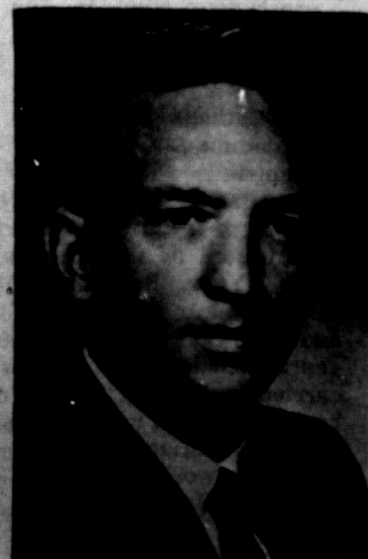
"Though our churches

were never so right as they are today, their leaders want more and they move readily into the role of welfare instrument of the State. Today the church prays: "Tarry ye in Washington until ye be endowed by government."

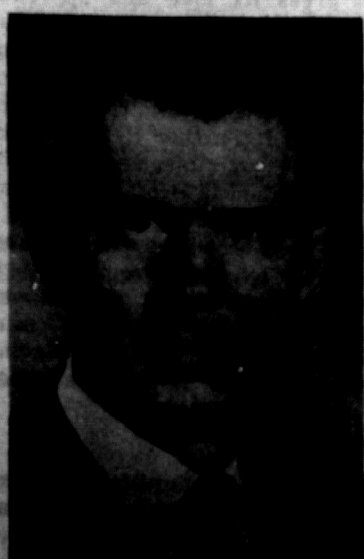
Mr. Archer charged that there is a great deal of politics and also deceit in the "War on Poverty." The politician, being human, expects votes for money expended. Thus political control ties the hands of the church. The deceit is in a church posing as a charitable institution when, under present legislation, the church became a government administrative agency, not a

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## NEW CHAPEL TO BE MEMORIAL



T. N. Touchstone, Jr.



William C. Touchstone

Dr. and Mrs. T. N. Touchstone, Sr., of Jackson, have requested of Dr. Chester L. Quarles, executive secretary-treasurer, Mississippi Baptist Convention Board, that they be allowed to furnish the chapel of the proposed new Baptist Building, as a memorial to their sons, T. N. Touchstone, Jr., and William C. Touchstone, both of whom were killed in an airplane crash on October 18. The parents wish to provide wall-to-wall carpeting, draperies, and all furnishings for the chapel.

T. N. Touchstone, Jr., architect, was working on the plans for the new Baptist

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**THE FIRST YEAR** that one million dollars was given to the Cooperative Program was in 1952. Left to right, standing: Dr. Quarles, executive secretary and J. E. Lane, then treasurer; seated: Mrs. B. B. Pridgen, bookkeeper and Mrs. Van Cotton, assistant.



**THE SECOND million** was reached in 1958. From left, standing: Dr. Quarles, executive secretary-treasurer; A. L. Nelson, business manager and Dr. Joe T. Odle, then associate executive secretary but now editor of the Baptist Record; seated: Mrs. Pridgen, bookkeeper and Mrs. Cotton, assistant.

## 1st, 2nd, 3rd Million Milestones Of Cooperative Program Seen

With the information that Mississippi Baptists had gone over the \$3,000,000 mark in Cooperative Program giving for 1964-65, the Baptist Record staff began to check the files for further data on when the first and second million milestones were reached.

Interesting information as well as some pictures tell the story briefly.

Mississippi Baptists reached their first million for the Cooperative Program in 1952, two years after Dr. Chester L. Quarles became executive secretary in 1950.

The second million milestone was passed in 1958 with the third million mark reached this year.

The accompanying pictures further tell the story and it is interesting to note that not only Dr. Quarles but Mrs. B. B. Pridgen and Mrs. Van Cotton have been identified with all three milestones.

## Order Of Business

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Convention Sermon—Clarence Cutrell

Alternate, Carey Sansing

Closing Prayer—Claude Townsend

12:15 Adjourn

### Tuesday Afternoon

1:50 Organ Prelude—Hazel Chisholm

2:00 Song and Praise—Tommy Howard

2:05 Scripture—S. W. Valentine

Prayer—Mack Reagin

Solo—Bette Stalneck

Biblical Message—Wilbur Swartz

2:30 Baptist Foundation—Harry L. Spencer

2:40 Retirement Plans—W. R. Roberts

2:55 Historical Commission—J. L. Boyd

3:05 Baptist Children's Village—Paul N. Nunnery

3:15 Election of Officers

Miscellaneous Business

3:35 Mississippi Baptist Hospital—Paul J. Pryor

3:45 Baptist Memorial Hospital—Frank S. Groner

3:55 Special Music—"Singing Churchmen of Mississippi"

4:00 Message—Josef Nordenhaug

Closing Prayer—John Allen Collier

4:35 Adjourn

### Tuesday Evening

7:00 Organ Prelude—Hazel Chisholm

7:10 Song and Praise—James McElroy

7:15 Scripture—Paul Leber

Prayer—M. F. Rayburn

Solo—Bette Stalneck

Biblical Message—Wilbur Swartz

7:40 Our Judea—Now and the Future—Orrin Morris

Leonard Irwin

8:05 Presentation of New Baptist Building—W. Douglas Hudgins

8:35 Special Music—Mississippi College

8:40 Message—Wayne Dehoney

Closing Prayer—D. W. Ainsworth

9:15 Adjourn

### Wednesday Morning

8:50 Organ Prelude—Hazel Chisholm

9:00 Song and Praise—Tanner Riley

9:05 Scripture—Macklyn Hubbell

Prayer—Horace Headrick

Solo—Bette Stalneck

Biblical Message—Wilbur Swartz

9:30 Reading of Minutes—Paul Adams

9:35 Miscellaneous Business and Report of Committees:

1. Resolutions

2. Nominations

3. Time, Place and Preacher

9:50 Report of Long Range Study Committee—W. L. Meadows

10:10 Board of Ministerial Education—Russell M. McIntire

10:25 Christian Action Commission—E. F. Hicks

10:45 Student Work—Ralph B. Winders

10:50 Training Union—Kermit S. King

10:55 Church Music—Dan C. Hall

11:00 Sunday School—Bryant M. Cummings

11:05 Sunday School Board—W. A. Harrell

11:20 Special Music—William Carey College

11:25 Message—Warren Hultgren

Closing Prayer—Jerry Clower

12:00 Adjourn

12:30 Seminary Luncheons

New Orleans

Southeastern

Southern

Southwestern

Midwestern

Golden Gate

### Wednesday Afternoon

2:00 Organ Prelude—Hazel Chisholm

2:10 Song and Praise—S. D. Douglas

2:15 Scripture—Byron Mathis

Prayer—Cooper Walton

Solo—Bette Stalneck

Biblical Message—Wilbur Swartz

2:40 Education Commission—Donald B. Roark

3:30 Mississippi Baptist Seminary—William P. Davis

3:35 Gilfoy School of Nursing—Paul J. Pryor

3:40 Hymn

3:45 Mississippi College—R. A. McLemore

3:55 William Carey College—J. Ralph Noonkester

4:05 Blue Mountain College—E. Harold Fisher

4:15 Clarke Memorial College—W. Lowrey Compere



**THE THIRD million milestone** was passed only last week. From left, standing: Rev. John Alexander, stewardship secretary; A. L. Nelson, business manager, and Dr. Quarles, executive secretary-treasurer; seated: Mrs. Pridgen, assistant to business manager and Mrs. Cotton, bookkeeper.

4:25 Recognition of Seminary Representatives

4:40 Special Music—Blue Mountain College

4:45 Message—Harold K. Graves

Closing Prayer—Ralph Reeves

5:15 Adjourn

### Wednesday Evening

7:00 Organ Prelude—Hazel Chisholm

7:05 Song and Praise—Dan C. Hall

7:10 Scripture—Ray Megginson

Prayer—Roy Kuykendall

Solo—Bette Stalneck

Biblical Message—Wilbur Swartz

7:30 Cooperative Missions—Foy Rogers

7:45 Woman's Missionary Union—Edwina Robinson

8:00 Message—Porter Routh

8:25 Brotherhood—E. L. Howell

8:35 Special Music—Quartet with Instrumental Obligate

8:40 Missionary Message—D. Curtis Askew

Closing Prayer—A. A. Roebuck

9:15 Adjourn

### Thursday Morning

9:15 Organ Prelude—Hazel Chisholm

9:30 Song and Praise—Cecil Harper

9:35 Scripture—Fuller B. Saunders

Prayer—Tom Doty

Solo—Bette Stalneck

Biblical Message—Wilbur Swartz

10:00 Reading of Minutes—Paul Adams

10:05 Stewardship—John D. Alexander

10:20 Evangelism—L. Gordon Sansing

10:35 Convention Board Report—T. R. McKibbens

Adoption of Budget

Miscellaneous Business

11:20 Special Music—Clarke Memorial College

11:25 Message—Jess Moody

Closing Prayer—C. O. Trenor

12:00 Adjourn

### Thursday Afternoon

2:00 Organ Prelude—Hazel Chisholm

2:15 Song and Praise—Jerry Neely

2:20 Scripture—Bill Hale

Prayer—Marion Perry

Solo—Bette Stalneck

Biblical Message—Wilbur Swartz

2:45 Associational Missions—J. Clark Hensley

2:50 The Baptist Record—Joe T. Odle

3:10 Special Music—Broadmoor Baptist Church Choir

3:15 Message—J. D. Grey

Prayer—J. B. Young

3:40 Adjourn

### Youth Night

7 P.M.—Coliseum, Jackson

Presiding . . . . . Bryant M. Cummings

Ushers . . . . . Students, Gilfoy School of Nursing

Organ and Piano Meditation

"The Master Speaks" . . . . . Trued

Combined Choirs and Choral Groups

Congregational Singing . . . . . Earl Kelly

Presentation of Presiding Officer . . . . . Earl Kelly

Announcements and Recognitions

Solo . . . . . Mrs. Bette Stalneck

Prayer . . . . . Altus Newell

"I Hear the Words of Jesus" . . . . . Nordman

Combined Choirs and Choral Groups

"I Saw Him" . . . . . Mrs. Sarah Miller

Serampore Players of William Carey College, Obra L. Quave, Director

Congregational Singing

Presentation of Speaker

Solo . . . . . Mrs. Stalneck

Message . . . . . Jess Moody

Pastor, First Baptist Church

West Palm Beach, Florida

Opportunity for Life Commitment

Benediction . . . . . Chester L. Quarles

## Constructive . . .

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### New Feature

A new feature this year will be a convention soloist, Mrs. Bette Stalneck, of Ripley, Tenn., well-known vocalist who has appeared in the state before.

The opening Tuesday morning session will be one of the highlights with Dr. Earl Kelly, of Holly Springs, convention president, scheduled to be in the chair.

Dr. Kelly will bring the keynote address with the convention sermon to be given by Rev. Clarence Cutrell, of Grenada, superintendent of missions of Grenada - Yalobusha Baptist associations.

Other features of this session will include the introduction of new workers, committee reports, presentation of budget and the reading and referral of any resolutions.

Election of officers is scheduled for Tuesday afternoon. If custom is followed, Dr. Kelly will be reelected for a second term.

The convention will consider a record \$3,240,000 Cooperative Program budget and a recommendation from the Convention Board that an additional \$500,000 be authorized for the proposed new Baptist Building in Jackson.

The appointment of a special committee to study the "whole church - state issue" for at least a year was advocated for the convention in a page one editorial in last week's issue of the Baptist Record.

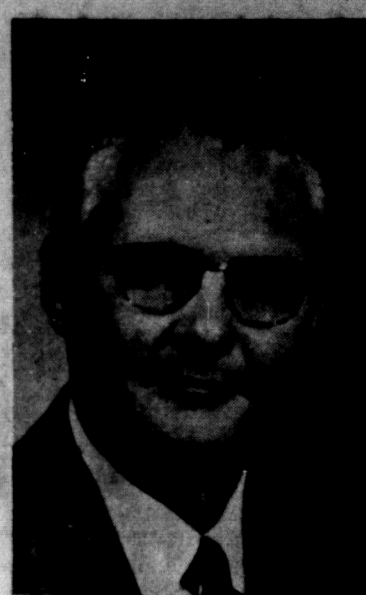
While the issue is not listed on the suggested agenda for the forthcoming convention, the editorial says that "Mississippi Baptists . . . right now face one of the most important decisions of their history, in the question of whether or not to allow their institutions to accept federal subsidies . . . and it seems probable that it will be considered in the session."

Dr. Joe Odle, editor, says in the editorial that in advocating the appointment of a study committee, he is passing on a suggestion made by a prominent Baptist pastor in the state.

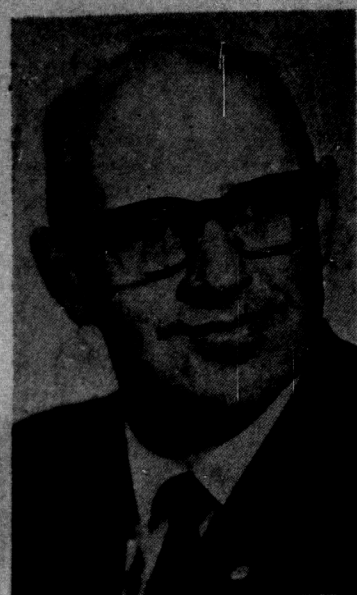
The convention will consider reports and recommendations from its various boards, institutions, agencies and commissions.

Members of the order of business committee are Rev. John W. Green, Winona, chairman; Rev. J. C. Renfro, Pearl; Rev. Joe Stovall, Lucedale; Sam Peoples, Vicksburg; Rev. Maurice Clayton, Meridian; Dr. David Grant, Jackson.

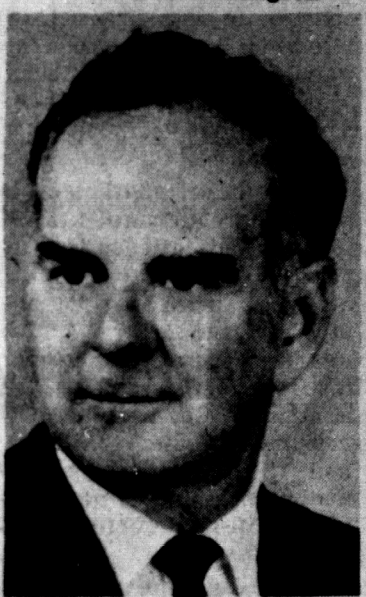
To assist in presiding will be the two vice-presidents, Rev. Roy Collum of Philadelphia and Joe Jack Hurst, of Jackson. Paul Adams, Starkville, is recording secretary with Horace Kerr, Jackson, associate recording secretary.



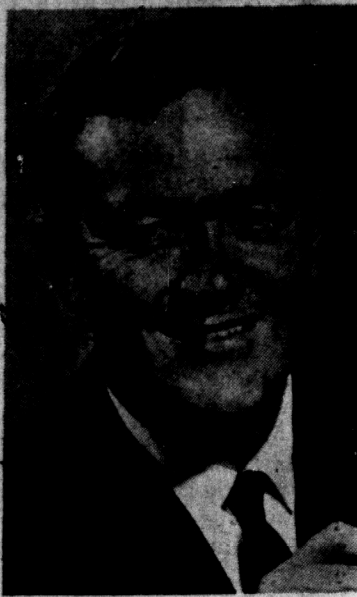
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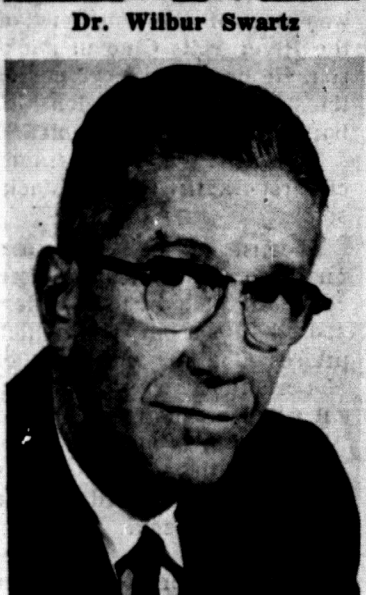
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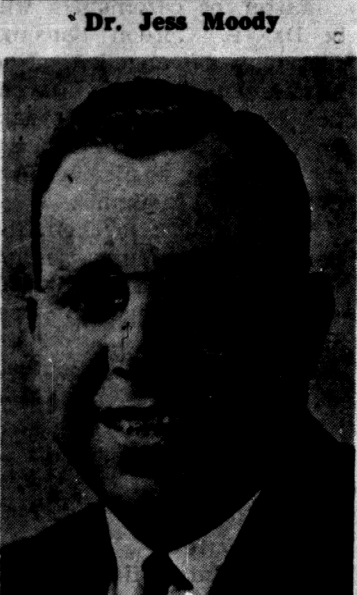
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Dr. Jess Moody



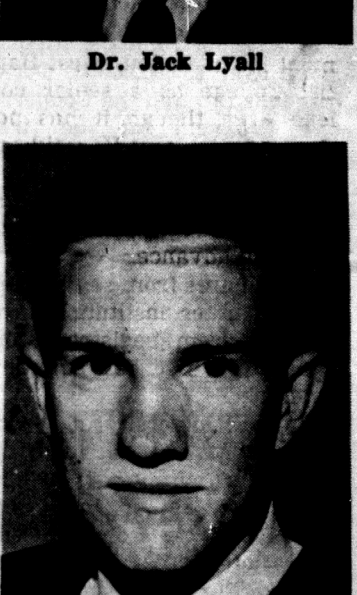
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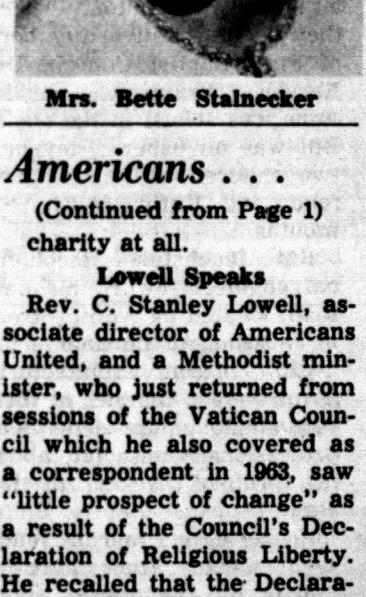
Dr. Jack Lyall



Mrs. Bette Stalneck



Obra Quave



George Van Egmond

## Americans . . .

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### Lowell Speaks

Rev. C. Stanley Lowell, associate director of Americans United, and a Methodist minister, who just returned from sessions of the Vatican Council which he also covered as a correspondent in 1963, saw "little prospect of change" as a result of the Council's Declaration of Religious Liberty. He recalled that the Declaration "specifically exempts all existing concordats between the Vatican and Catholic countries and that these instruments are repressive by their very nature." He said:

The Vatican Declaration is not a complete doctrine of religious liberty as Protestants understand it. Indeed, it falls considerably short of such a secular pronouncement on the subject as the United Nations Declaration of Human Rights. The Vatican Declaration has many loopholes. For example it urges that "proselytism by wrong methods" should be suppressed. It is the Catholic ban on proselytism—that is, the changing of one's religion—which has been such a strain to Protestant-Catholic relations in predominantly Catholic countries.

In an address following receipt of an award by Americans United as Congressman of the Year, Rep. John H. Buchanan, Jr. reminded the audience that "through 2,000 years Christian churches have carried out great works of benevolence through voluntary giving and through the voluntary work of their people." Rep. Buchanan declared:

"This is the proper way for churches to par-

ticipate in the perpetual war on poverty in our world. Let the church stand secure and serene in her own function in proclaiming to the world her own good tidings and in carrying out her own benevolence to man through the giving of her people.

"Let her stand apart from the State. Let her not become intermixed and intermingled with that which is political and secular. . . . The maintenance of the principle of separation of church and state is also right for America. . . . It is the sure foundation upon which this house of freedom was built and now stands."

Invitations have gone to State Governors to participate in making 1968 "The Year of the Bible" in recognition of the 150th Anniversary of the American Bible Society. To date, over twenty Governors have replied affirmatively.

## Clarke County Baptists Honor W. L. Meadows

Rev. W. L. Meadows, retired minister of Quitman, was recently honored by the Clarke County Association, in its forty-eighth annual session, by the following resolution:

"WHEREAS Reverend W. L. Meadows has faithfully rendered invaluable service and provided able leadership to the Clarke County Baptist Association for more than 30 years and,

"WHEREAS this Association wishes to publicly express and record its deep and sincere appreciation to Brother Meadows for all that he means, has done and continues to do for this Association and the work of the Lord Jesus Christ everywhere,

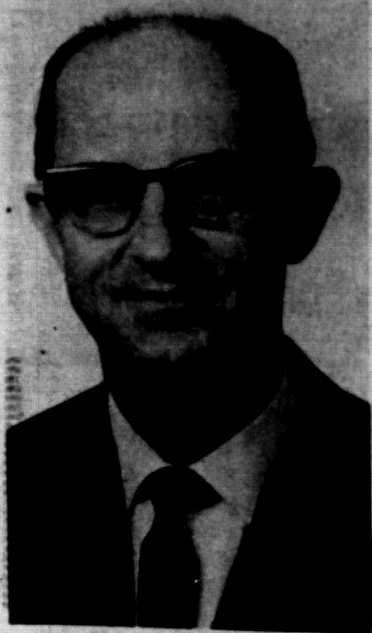
"Now Therefore Be It Resolved that the Clarke County Association does hereby express its love and appreciation to Rev. W. L. Meadows for all that he has contributed to us and to God's work since he came to dwell among us.

Be It Further Resolved that copies of this resolution be furnished to Brother Meadows and distributed to the press."

Rev. Meadows was also honored by the association by unanimous vote to dedicate the annual association minutes to him and by placing his picture on the first page of the minutes.

American families spend an average of \$170 for Christmas gifts, or a grand total of over \$8 billion, between Thanksgiving and Christmas.





Dr. L. Gordon Sansing

## Monday Will ...

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will be Tommy Howard, minister of music for the First Baptist Church, Crystal Springs.

To preside at the evening session will be Dr. R. J. Reynolds, a dentist of Newton, who is vice-president of the Brotherhood of First Church of that city.

At 5:20 p. m., between the two sessions of the Rally, the annual state Brotherhood banquet will be held at the Masonic Temple with 600 men expected.

Master of ceremonies will be Dr. L. Gordon Sansing, secretary of evangelism of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board. The main speaker will be R. L. Sherrick, associate in the Brotherhood Commission, Memphis.

Special music for both the banquet and evening session will be rendered by the 80-voice choir of Magnolia Street Baptist Church, Laurel, under direction of Billy Souther, Jr.

## Enrolment ...

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course, however. This higher total enrolment figure is 79,464 for all categories.

Brantley's Oct. 1, 1965 statement included Southwest Baptist College as a senior college even though it has not graduated a lass. He said the regional accrediting association has given the Bolivar, Mo., school senior college status in advance.

The figures from seminaries and all other institutions are secured from registrar's offices at each school, Brantley explained.

Baylor University at Waco, Tex., continues to lead all schools in enrolment. Its net enrolment as of last Oct. 1 was 7125, up from 6976 the year before.

Wake Forest College at Winston-Salem, N. C., follows with 2994 net enrolment this year, increased from last year's 2920.

Among the seminaries, Golden Gate Baptist Seminary, Mill Valley, Calif., lost one student in enrolment over the year—it declined from 257 to 256. Midwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Kansas City, Mo., lost two, dropping from 152 to 150, according to Brantley.

N. O. Enrolment Up  
New Orleans Baptist Seminary climbed from 665 to 679.

Southeastern Baptist Seminary, Wake Forest, N. C., fell from 556 to 516 students in net enrolment, the report showed.

Southern Baptist Seminary at Louisville rose in net enrolment from 860 to 878 students.

Southwestern Baptist Seminary in Fort Worth dropped from 1626 to 1590.

All of these seminaries are operated by the Southern Baptist Convention.

A seventh school classed in the commission's report as a seminary is one jointly operated by the SBC and the National Baptist Convention, U.S.A., Inc., a Negro school. The American Baptist Theological Seminary in Nashville showed a drop from 65 to 61 in net enrolment of students this year.

Leader in size of the junior colleges in Wingate College, Wingate, N. C. This school's net enrolment rose from 1304 a year ago to the present 1473.

Largest of the seven academies is Fort Union Military Academy, Fort Union, Va., with 690 students in net enrolment. Although, as a group, academies declined in net enrolment, Fort Union showed a gain, from 650 to 690.

Baptist Bible Institute at Greenville, Fla., is the largest of the five of this classification. Its net enrolment went up from 206 to 219 over the year, the Education Commission reported.

# Memorial Chapel...

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time of his death. His brother W. C. Touchstone, mechanical engineer, was working with him on this project.

T. Nolan Touchstone, Jr. was born November 8, 1926, at Brooksville, Miss. Had he not been in the plane wreck with his brother and three Jackson doctors, an accident which so tragically took all their lives, he would have been 39 this past Monday, November 8.

After graduating from Amory High School and Texas A & M College, he entered the Navy in 1944 and was discharged in 1946. Then from 1946-50 he studied at Alabama Polytechnic Institute, Auburn, Alabama, where he received a regular five-year degree in architecture.

Since the establishment of his own architectural firm in 1957, he had designed and supervised building projects of all types, in Mississippi and in other states. Some of the most recent projects included the new Baptist Building, the Mississippi Research and Development Center (Jackson), and the Pediatric Hospital and Adult Wing of the University Medical Center (Jackson).

An ardent tennis fan, he was one of the founders of the River Hills Club in Jackson. He had been a winner of the state tennis championship, both in singles and doubles.

He was an active member of First Baptist Church, Jackson.

Because of his great love for the outdoors, he often read, and heavily underscored, Psalm 104, which praises God for the glory of His creation. Following the fatal accident, his family found Nolan's Bible open to Romans 8, with several verses backgrounded in red, in the architect's special marking. One of these was the 28th: "All things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to His purpose."

William C. (Bill) Touchstone was born March 14, 1934, at Marks, Miss. He was 31 at the time of his death.

Bill graduated from Bailey Junior High and Central High School in Jackson, and took a degree in mechanical engineering at Mississippi State College. For three years, he served in the U. S. Air Force, advancing to the rank of First Lieutenant. At the time of his discharge in 1957, he was a jet pilot stationed at Edwards Air Force Base in California.

In 1958, he married Anne Davis. He and his wife bought a home in Clinton, where they became active members of First Baptist Church, Dr. Russell McIntire, pastor. Anne was soloist in the choir. Bill was an usher. They had two children, Billy, Jr., now four, and Kathryn, three months.

Bill Touchstone, mechanical engineer, owned his own firm, located on Amite Street in Jackson. At the time of his death, fifteen architectural firms were using him in their construction plans. He was professionally associated with his brother, Nolan, in the three projects: Baptist Building; Research and Development Center; new wing of University Hospital.

Bill was also an enthusiastic outdoor sportsman, and was particularly a great lover of golf. The two brothers, Bill and Nolan, were very close and liked to do things together. And they especially liked to hunt and fish together.

For the past several years, they had flown to Wessington Springs, South Dakota, to hunt pheasants. During these excursions, they and three doctors, Burnstein, Sanders, and Walker, stayed at a farmhouse belonging to Mr. and Mrs. Don Salmen. This fall, returning by private plane to Jackson from the pheasant hunt, they ran into foul weather.

Except for the seminaries, none of the schools is operated by the nationwide body, the Southern Baptist Convention. They are operated by the state Baptist conventions in the states where they are located.

Fall Enrolment for Southern Baptist Convention Seminaries				
	Oct. 1, 1964	Net	Others	Total
American Seminary	65	61	840	901
Golden Gate	297	256	6	262
Midwestern	152	150	5	155
New Orleans	665	679	0	679
Southeastern	556	516	0	516
Southern	860	878	91	969
Southwestern	1626	1590	0	1590
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>4181</b>	<b>4130</b>	<b>942</b>	<b>5072</b>

er and crashed in desolate terrain.

Dr. T. N. Touchstone, Sr., father of Bill and Nolan, is a long-time deacon and Sunday school teacher in First Baptist Church, Jackson. Mrs. Touchstone is the former Hattie Burl Cox.

Dr. Touchstone is director of Educational Services, Jackson, and president of the Mid-South Magazine Agency, Inc., a specialized magazine service for schools, libraries, and teachers. He is author of "A Handbook for Teaching English in the Junior and Senior High School."

Over a period of years Dr. Touchstone has had a part in developing various phases of the educational program of the southern region and nation. He served for several years on the Mississippi Baptist Education Commission.

A native of Simpson County, he graduated from Mississippi College. His graduate training was done at M.C., Tulane University, University of Chicago, Peabody College, and L'Autvergne University in France. In 1949, Mississippi College conferred upon him an honorary doctorate.

Mrs. Touchstone, mother of Nolan and Bill, is a native of Learned. She is the daughter of Mrs. Nannie Cox (matron at Hinds Junior College for many years, and also at Whitworth College, Brookhaven), and sister of Mrs. H. A. Cannada of Edwards.

Mrs. Touchstone graduated from Whitworth College and taught school for five years. Both she and Mr. Touchstone were teaching at Pocahontas when they met and married.

She has been active in church work through the years, especially in Woman's Missionary Union, at Marks, Amory, Clinton, and then at First Church, Jackson. She has been WMU president in several of these churches.

The Sproles Bible Class of First Baptist Church, Jackson, Dr. Douglas Hudgins, pastor, has adopted the following resolution, offering their prayers and their sympathy to Dr. and Mrs. Touchstone, in the loss of their two fine sons:

"WHEREAS, T. N. (Nolan) Touchstone and his beloved wife, Hattie Burl, have used the drawing board of life to produce, rear, train, and educate two of Jackson's finest and most beloved young men and,

"WHEREAS, God in his infinite wisdom, beyond the realm of our understanding, has allowed them both to be taken from this world by one catastrophic accident, and

"WHEREAS, the loss of these two young men, Billy and Nolan, in the very prime of life, will be felt all over the state and in the building of a greater Mississippi, and

"WHEREAS, there are no words in the English language, nor flowers, nor statements, nor things of this world which can adequately express our regret, not only to Nolan and his beloved wife, but to Anne, Billy's wife, and their two dear children

"Be it, therefore, resolved by each of the members of the Sproles Bible Class of the First Baptist Church of Jackson, Mississippi, this twenty-fourth day of October, nineteen hundred and sixty-five, that we each offer a prayer that may in some way bring comfort to the bereaved of these two young men and lighten the burden of their sorrow with the thought that today's sorrow may someday be banished with a gathering in a happier tomorrow."

A three-way mirror, which sits on the front fender of an automobile to let the driver see cars coming from all sides, has been invented. A rear-view mirror faces the driver while long rectangular mirrors on each side sweep back at 60-degree angles to let the driver cautiously nose his vehicle into a blind intersection and make sure no cars are coming from either side. At the other end of the device, opposite the rear-view mirror, is a colored reflector, which acts as a guide for drivers coming the other way.



WOODLAND HILLS CHURCH, Jackson, will appear as shown above after completion of building program. The South Annex is being added and a separate Activities Building is being built. The Building and Property Development Committee is headed by W. J. Breed, Deacon Chairman. J. W. Underwood.

## Woodland Hills Signs Contract For 2 Buildings

Woodland Hills Church, Jackson has signed a contract with Mid-State Construction Company for a large annex and a separate Activities Building. W. J. Breed, Chairman of the Building and Property Development Committee, announced that the general construction contract is for \$536,160.

The contract includes a South Annex, a two-story Activities Building, and extensive alterations in the present building. The Annex is to include educational space, fellowship hall, and kitchen. The Activities Building is to contain a full-size gymnasium, craft rooms, game rooms, lounges and equipment storage.

The construction contract is part of an overall building and property development program which has been under preparation for many months. The total program, which will also include a new pipe organ, will cost in excess of \$712,000.

The church has already voted to add a full-time Activities Director to its staff. The Building and Property Development Committee includes Chairman, Jack Breed; Vice-Chairman, Zach Taylor, Jr.; L. M. Montgomery; Shelby Rogers; Mrs. J. W. Underwood; Terrell Wise; and Herbert Worley.

Pastor of Woodland Hills Church is Dr. Fuller B. Saunders. Minister of Education is William E. Hardy and the minister of music is Charles Muller.

## Report From ...

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luctant to favor the new position of the Catholic Church.

De Smedt's speech was reported by Fr. Edward Heston, a Council press representative, as emphasizing that "the right to religious liberty does not free either the individual or society from its moral duties toward the true religion." By the "true religion" the Council means the Roman Catholic Church.

The report further emphasized: "Since religious liberty consists only in human and juridical immunity from coercion, it dispenses no one from his moral duties toward the truth and the True Church."

An unofficial translation of a key passage in the document was given by a Council expert at the U. S. Bishops press panel. It says, "Since all men are bound to search for truth especially in those things which concern the worship of God (religion) and to serve it, they are bound by sacred duty to profess and embrace the Catholic faith insofar as they are able to know it."

### Obviously Irksome

Although this is standard Catholic doctrine, it was obviously irksome to many of the Council experts that it was repeated in the context of religious liberty. One of them told Baptist Press privately that this language was inserted as a "tranquilizer" for the conservative bishops in an effort to win their support for the document as a whole.

Msgr. George Higgins, of the National Catholic Welfare Conference, Washington, D.C., at the afternoon press panel, said that he was sure that enough bishops would object to the new wording to cause it to be reconsidered during the revision process. He did not predict what changes might be made.

A major objection to the emphasis on the Catholic Church as the true religion in a document on religious liberty was that it was "irrelevant" to the subject.

A new subtitle was added to make it clear that the document does not treat the problem of freedom within the church. The subtitle is, "The rights of persons and communities to social and civil liberty in religious matters."

Another addition to the declaration on religious liberty met with strenuous objection from some Council experts. An effort is being made to delete it in the revision. It says that states should not oblige children to attend schools where anti-religious matter is taught. Another warns against state school systems that exclude religious training.

In a series of voting on the declaration concluded on October 26, the substance of the document was overwhelmingly approved by 2,000 bishops. However, 543 voted approval with reservations. This means that no change can now be made that is contrary to the substance of the declaration.

The Secretariat for Promoting Christian Unity is now working on the revised document. A member of the Commission said that the tentative schedule calls for completion of the revision by mid-November. He predicted possible promulgation by November 18, but said it would more likely be at the end of the Council which is expected to be about December 8.

## BIGGEST BIBLE ORDER COMES FROM GHANA

NEW YORK (RNS) — The American Bible Society announced it has received the largest single order for Scriptures in its 150-year history—500,000 Bibles and New Testaments in six languages from the Republic of Ghana. They will be used in public schools.

Ghana's government will meet two-thirds of the \$600,000 gross cost and the United Bible Societies, one-third. The society added that Ghana is "leading the way toward the teaching of the Bible as an indispensable part of man's cultural heritage. Other nations are studying this Ghanaian educational program which has been prepared by the Christian Council (of Ghana) for use by schools."

# HOLIDAY SCHEDULE TRANSPORTATION FOR THE Baptist Children's Village

## TRAIN SCHEDULES

**GULF, MOBILE AND OHIO RAILROAD**—Load at all points on Monday, November 15, 1965, East side which covers all points from Corinth to State Line. Also West side from Brownfield South to Evanston, including McLain, Lucedale, and all intermediate points to Laurel. All points between Union and Sandy Hook North and South to Jackson, Mississippi. All shipments from Calhoun City will have to be carried to Houston where they will be loaded for Jackson, Mississippi.

**COLUMBUS AND GREENVILLE**—Load from all points on the C & G Railway to either Winona or Mathiston, Mississippi. Shipments will then be delivered by Illinois Central Railroad to Jackson, Mississippi. Billing Authority No. 564-B.

**MISSISSIPPI CENTRAL**—Load Hattiesburg to Brookhaven, also Natchez to Brookhaven. Shipments will be picked up and delivered to Jackson, Mississippi, by Illinois Central Railroad.

**ILLINOIS CENTRAL SYSTEM**—Free billing instructions have been issued to all Illinois Central Agents in Mississippi authorizing movement of goods to Jackson, Mississippi for the period November 15 to December 31, 1965. (Per ICRR Billing Order No. 50652.)

## A MESSAGE FROM THE CHILDREN

Dear Baptist Friends:

The happy and wholesome life which we now enjoy in our beautiful new Village for children on Flag Chapel Drive is made possible by people such as you who love God and love little children. While we have not asked your help in building our modern new buildings or in buying our spacious new grounds, we do desperately need your financial support of our operating needs.

Again this year we depend upon the designated giving of our friends for more than 70% of the money required to buy our food and clothing, pay our medical and dental bills and fill our many other needs. May we earnestly ask you to make us and the Thanksgiving love offering for children in your church an object of your fervent prayer.

Use your influence in your local church for us on Thanksgiving Day or the Sunday before or after Thanksgiving Day—we are depending upon each of you!

We have reproduced above the schedules which our railroad friends will be following this year in delivering your gifts of clothing, food and commodities to us free of charge from November 15 to December 31. If you do not understand the above schedule, check with your station agent.

Thank you.

The Boys and Girls  
at  
The Baptist Children's Village



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JOE T. ODLE, Editor

## The Coming Convention

State convention time is here again for Mississippi Baptists. Next week, pastors and other church leaders from all over the state will gather at Jackson's First Church for the 130th session of the state organization.

This promises to be a great convention. The program is well planned, with numerous outstanding feature speakers, and the reports from the convention board and the institutions and agencies will reveal that this has been an outstanding year in every phase of Mississippi Baptist work.

The convention board will bring one of the finest reports in its history. It will announce that the convention budget was reached and that the churches gave more than \$3,000,000 through the Cooperative Program during the year just ended. No other one thing so clearly reveals the unity existing in Mississippi Baptist life, the confidence and support the churches give to the denominational program, and the growing missionary concern felt by Baptists throughout the commonwealth.

Furthermore, the convention board's report will reveal the advance made by the various departments of state mission work, and the faithful witness which is being given. The board has a strong state mission program, and its effectiveness is being felt today as never before.

### Convention Institutions

In the field of Christian education this has been an outstanding year. The colleges are reporting the greatest enrollment of their history, and enlarged facilities, improved facilities, and broader curriculum programs, are making their ministry greater than ever.

Despite serious problems still confronting them, brought about largely by the government's program of support for private educational institutions, the colleges are meeting the problems with faith and wisdom, and will bring encouraging reports to the messengers assembled in Jackson next week.

### Baptist Hospital

The Baptist Hospital in Jackson has had a great year. During the past twelve months it has completed one major building program, acquired property for future expansion, and continued plans for further enlargement. At the same time, it is giving as fine a ministry to its patients as at any time in its history. It, too, faces serious problems, because of the government's ever enlarging entrance into the medical field, but its trustees and administrators are meeting the problems resolutely, and we can be sure that solution will be found. The Memphis hospital, likewise, will bring a report of outstanding progress.

The Children's Village, during the past year, has moved to its new campus, and now has facilities second to none in the entire Southern Baptist Convention. The whole ministry of the institution has been greatly expanded, and Superintendent Paul Nunnery will bring one of the finest reports ever made by the institution.

Similar reports can be expected from every other agency of the convention, for this has been a good year, rich with God's blessing, and Baptist work has advanced. These reports, alone, will help make this an outstanding convention.

### Important Decisions

The messengers will be faced with some important decisions. Among them will be the adopting of the budget for the coming year, and the consideration of enlarged plans for the proposed new Baptist Building in Jackson.

The Cooperative Program budget, which will be presented by the state convention board, is for \$3,240,000, almost a quarter of a million more than was given during the year just closed. This is not an unreasonable goal, since the budget receipts have averaged increasing over \$200,000 a year for the past two years and the goal is in line with reported church budget growth. This budget provides increases which urgently are

needed by every agency and department, if the convention's program is to continue to advance.

At last year's convention, authorization was given for the convention board to proceed with plans for the erection of a new Baptist Building in Jackson. After a year of study, the board is bringing a recommendation that the financial program for the building be enlarged. Studies have revealed that the funds already approved by the convention will not provide the type of building necessary to meet the convention's needs for the next 20 or 25 years, and it seems unwise to plan for less time than that. The board will bring a proposed plan, revealing that the convention can finance such a building, while meeting all other obligations and continuing advance in all of its other work.

### Church State Issue

While it is not on the agenda, the church-state issue, in all probability, will come before the convention. The Education Commission has voted to suggest to the convention that it set up a special committee to study the whole church-state issue for at least a year. The colleges and the hospitals face serious problems in this area, but many Mississippi Baptists feel that the many facets of the issue, and new developments which now are coming as a result of new legislation, make it wise to delay action, until a strong committee has studied the whole problem and can bring its report to the convention.

While some other matters may confront the assembled messengers, these seem to be the major ones, and there is no reason to believe that all of these will not be settled in complete harmony. A spirit of unity prevails among Baptists throughout the state, and we feel that this spirit will control the actions of the convention.

Even though such a spirit does exist, every messenger should prepare for the convention with prayer and heart searching, and those hundreds of thousands of Baptists who cannot attend should spend much time in prayer in the next few days, that God may guide and bless the coming meeting.

This well may be the most important Mississippi Baptist convention of this generation. All of us should pray that God's will may be found and done in its sessions.

## Workshop Set For Evangelists

NEW ORLEANS (BP) — A workshop for fulltime Southern Baptist preaching and music evangelists will be held for the first time at New Orleans Baptist Seminary, December 14-16.

More than 450 evangelists have been invited to the three-day conference of discussions and lectures on such topics as "Problems and Answers for Contemporary Evangelism" and "The Personal Life of an Evangelist."

Seminary president H. Leo Eddleman will deliver the opening address Tuesday night. Leading four studies in New Testament will be Dr. Clark Pinnock, assistant professor of New Testament at the seminary.

The workshop is sponsored by the recently established Evangelism Conference and Research Center on the New Orleans Seminary campus. Conferences and materials for the center are being programmed by a seminary committee of faculty, trustees and board of development members.

Evangelists who attend the workshop will be the guests of the seminary, however those planning to attend are asked to confirm this with the seminary immediately, said workshop director B. Gray Allison, professor of evangelism.

## MC Enrollment Increases

Mississippi College enrollment has skyrocketed to another all-time high for first semester attendance according to figures released this week by the Registrar's Office.

Registrar Troy Mohon announced that 1,967 students had registered for classes at the Baptist college this semester. This figure represents a seven per cent increase over the previous high of 1,832 registered last fall.

In a class-by-class breakdown the figures showed that there were 474 freshmen, 330 sophomores, 463 juniors, 384 seniors, 80 special students, and 230 graduate students. Of the total, 928 are female and 1,039 are male.

## Calendar of Prayer

(This list is not compiled according to birthdays.)

November 15—Mrs. Nancy K. Dunford, William Carey College faculty; Inez Driskell, faculty, Gilfoy School of Nursing.

November 16—Mrs. James L. Clark, Clarke College faculty; Ray McLeod, Greene County associational Brotherhood president.

November 17—Joyce Henry, Baptist Book Store; Lawrence Jones, staff, Children's Village.

November 18 — Mrs. H. L. Murphy, vice - president, WMU, District VI; Kathryn Bearden, Baptist student director, Gilfoy School of Nursing.

November 19 — Sarah Spain, Baptist Building; Harry Lee Spencer, Baptist Foundation.

November 20—Mrs. Retha S. Baker, faculty, Mississippi College; Mrs. Lucy O. Barnett, staff, Mississippi College.

November 21—Mrs. J. J. McKinstry, faculty, Blue Mountain College; Lester Jones, superintendent of missions, Neshoba County.

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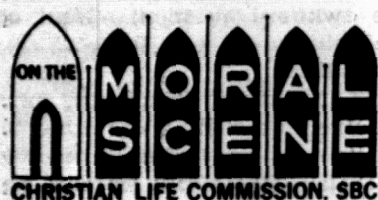
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Unethical "Bait and Switch" bulk meat sellers are bilking Americans out of millions of dollars annually, according to Robert Madeira, executive secretary of the National Institute of Locker and Freezer Provisioners. Addressing the twentieth annual Southern Weights and Measures Association Conference in Louisville, Madeira warned that unwary housewives are deceived by dealers who "bait" the consumer with a cut-rate piece of meat which is then switched for another piece of meat.

"The most overwhelming paradox of our time is to permit half the human race to be hungry while we struggle to cut back on surplus production . . .

"I believe that we ought to declare an all-out war against hunger. . . . We should announce to the world now that we have an unused food-producing capacity which we are willing and anxious to use to its fullest potential" — Senator George McGovern (D-S.D.). Senator McGovern introduced a bill which would authorize the federal government to buy American-produced food to give to hungry nations or to sell to them at bargain prices.

According to a UPI study, 90% of the New Hampshire sweepstakes tickets are bought by people not living in New Hampshire. While several leading newspapers continue to attack the lottery as immoral, opposition by churches has died down recently.

## MAGAZINE DENOUNCES CARD-BURNING

WASHINGTON, D. C. (RNS) — Christianity Today, conservative Protestant fortnightly, charged that burning of draft cards to protest U.S. involvement in the war in Vietnam is "perilously close to treason" and cited reports of Communist participation in such actions.

In an editorial, "Dodging the Draft," it said that "collegians and Communists decided to test" the policy of the U.S. which "has generally allowed conscientious objectors to forego military service."

Speaking of the Oct. 16 demonstrations throughout the country protesting U.S. involvement in Vietnam, the editorial said:

"That the protest was stirred up, in part, by the Communist apparatus was verified by Attorney General Nicholas Katzenbach, who found 'some Communists and some persons closely associated with Communists' work-

## At Everlasting Cross-Purposes



## BAPTIST BELIEFS

By Herschel H. Hobbs  
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## LIKE CLOUDS ON A COFFIN

Read Romans 3:10-18. Beginning with Romans 1:19 Paul shows how both Jew and Gentile are lost and need a Saviour. In 3:9 he concludes, "We have before proved both Jews and Gentiles, that they are all under sin." And then he puts together quotations from the Old Testament to prove his point. The result is pictures of lost humanity on one of the most terrible pictures of lost humanity on record.

First, he speaks as a philosopher (vv. 10-12; cf. Psalm 14:1-3). Note the word "unprofitable" in verse 12. It means "garbage" (cf. Ps. 14:3, "filthy" means "stinking"). "Gehenna," the word for hell, was the garbage dump of Jerusalem. Hell is God's cosmic garbage dump.

Second, Paul speaks as a physician (vv. 13-14; cf. Ps. 5:9; 140:3; 10:7). Note the odor of a grave from their mouths. Also note that the poison of an asp (cobra) is under their lips (cf. James 3:8).

Third, Paul speaks as a historian (vv. 15-18, cf. Isa. 59:7-8; Ps. 38:1). This is a vivid picture of the bloody trail of history. As one reads these

verses (10:18) the sound of clouds falling on the coffin of a lost humanity can be heard. Truly "all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God" (3:23).

But Paul does not stop there. And neither can we. In the same breath he says, "Being justified freely by his grace (free for nothing) through the redemption that is in Christ" (3:24). Paul was faithful to declare the "wrath of God" (God's abiding opposition to sin, 1:18). But he also proclaimed the "righteousness of God" (v. 17). "Righteousness" here means the activity of God, whereby He picks a sinner up out of his lost condition and puts him down in a justified or saved condition, as though he had never sinned. This is by the "righteousness" that is in Christ. It does not mean that man has not sinned. But that when he is in Christ through faith God regards him as not having sinned. God condemned sin in Christ that He might be "just." And He justifies the sinner in Christ, that He might be the "justifier of him which believeth in Jesus" (3:28).

In our preaching we must always condemn sin. But we must ever point the sinner to the Saviour.

Over half of the new retirees last year were under 65, the first year in history that such a large proportion has retired early. From all evidence, this is only a milestone in a significant new trend.

"Sometimes a speech is like a wheel—the longer the spoke, the greater the tire."

## Sunday School Commentaries

BROADMAN COMMENTS, 1966 by Hugh E. Peterson and five other authors (Broadman, 437 pp., \$2.95)

An outstanding feature of this new volume is the practical, easy-to-use teaching plan for each lesson. The Bible material is clearly organized and stimulating. Brief lesson outlines, bibliographies, and visual aid suggestions are included. This year, the volume's six authors include a seminary dean, a city pastor, a city missions superintendent, a minister's wife and poet, and editor of a church paper, and a religious book editor.

THE GIST OF THE LESSON, 1966, edited by Donald T. Kauffman (Fleming H. Revell, 127 pp., paperback, 95 cents)

GIST presents the lesson background, practical, applications, concise summaries, and excellent outlines for study. It locates the lesson historically.

ILLUSTRATING THE LESSON, 1966 by Arthur House Stanback (Fleming H. Revell, 121 pp., paperback, \$1.60)

Includes 400 illustrations that will add interest to the weekly Sunday school lessons. At least eight anecdotes, stories, or illustrations per lesson.

ILLUSTRATE! by James C. Hefley (Zondervan, 128 pp., \$1.50, paperback)

Current illustrations on Biblical truths to be taught in the 1966 Sunday school lessons. For each lesson there is one illustration under each of three headings: Interest, Illuminate, Apply.

ROZELL'S COMPLETE LESSONS, 1966 by William Austin (Zondervan, 318 pp., \$2.95)

The Nineteenth Annual Volume of Rozell's Sunday school commentary features lessons complete as the teacher would teach them; Scripture text in RSV; easy-to-follow outlines; latest teaching methods built into the material; practical applications; unusual introductions and conclusions; directions for use of chalkboard.

HIGLEY COMMENTARY, 1966 (Lambert Huffman Publishers, Winona Lake, Indiana, 528 pp., \$3.25)

Verse by verse Sunday school lesson commentary, with 1000 questions and answers to stimulate class discussion. Full color maps of Bible lands inside front and back covers. This commentary is packed as full of information as any one volume could possibly be. Every lesson includes a good

real-life illustration, a superintendent's sermonette, evangelistic emphasis, memory selection, and teacher's target, as well as the questions and answers section, and full discussion of the scripture lesson.

THE DOUGLASS SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSONS, 1966 by Earl L. Douglass, assisted by Gordon L. Roberts (Macmillan, 392 pp., \$3.25)

This commentary provides a lesson plan for each Sunday of the year; careful exposition of the meaning of each part of the Bible passage; practical, easy-to-follow hints on the actual teaching of the lesson, and audio-visual recommendations. The Bible text is printed in the King James Version.

TARBELL'S TEACHER'S GUIDE, 1966, edited by Frank S. Mead (Fleming H. Revell, 384 pp., \$2.95)

This indispensable tool for Sunday school teachers carries the lesson text in Revised Standard and King James Versions, in parallel columns. Each lesson study includes sparkling illustrations, Scripture-based comments, practical teaching suggestions, recommended audio-visual aids, pronunciation guide, and comprehensive historical, geographical sections.

THE GOSPEL OF JOHN by Herschel H. Hobbs (Zondervan, 96 pp., \$1.95)

A practical study guide specifically designed to assist

the layman in understanding the Gospel of John. The author is pastor of First Baptist Church, Oklahoma City, "Baptist Hour" radio speaker, and former president of the Southern Baptist Convention.

CHURCH AND STATE IN LUTHER AND CALVIN by William A. Mueller (Doubleday, 187 pp., 95c)

A professor at New Orleans Seminary writes on the Church-State problem as it was faced by the Protestant theologians, Luther and Calvin. He shows that Luther believed in religious freedom in his earlier ministry, but later modified his position. Calvin did not break from state churchism. This is an interesting study for use in this time of Church-state interest.

THE SILENT EXPLOSION by Philip Appleman (Beacon, 161 pp., \$4.95)

What is the population explosion doing to the world. Breeding "disaster" says this author, who advocates intelligent action now. He says "The world is now adding to its population 125 people every minute, 7,500 every hour, more than a million a week. . . and the rate is going up." He shows that we are applying some "tranquilizers" now, to keep us from looking at the truth, that hunger, famine and disaster stalk the world, if we do not act. He suggests plans for preventing this disaster. An eye-opening book, that should cause some clear thinking.

## The Baptist Forum

## Sailor Echoes Editorial

Dear Dr. Odle:

In reference to your editorial on October 7, entitled "A Drop in the Bucket," I am in full agreement. It is a shame that this article could not find its way to the hands of high public officials. Editorials of this caliber need to be spread across the headlines of every daily newspaper.

Sir, this problem which was brought to face is one which has confronted me the whole time I have been in the Navy. I have been on active duty for three months but this short period of time has revealed much to me. Here on this base alone there is a wholesale package store plus the numerous exchanges, grills, and service stations that "peddle" this lethal killer to the men who are supposed to defend our country.

It is a farce to think that the government provides this "killer," yet on the other

hand it also provides chaplains to try to mend the heart-aches and loneliness that alcohol inevitably brings about. On the one hand, they try to build the morals and morale of the men but on the other hand, they try to tear it down.

In the end, one or the other must go and in the present world it is fairly evident as to which one might come out on top. Why, sir, can't our voices be heard over the tumultuous cries of the people around us? Maybe we aren't using our voices to full capacity. God help us to overcome.

We Christian men in service need not only your prayerful support but also the support you give us in articles like this one. Keep up the good fight; my prayers continue with you. This is but a very small summary of the paradox which I see in the moral fiber of the military service.

A Mississippian  
(Now on a ship in  
U. S. Navy)



# Federal Support: Principle Or Expedient?

Editor's Note: The discussion of the Church-State issue continues. Here are two more articles, one on each side of the debate.

By Wayne E. Ward, Professor  
Southern Seminary, Louisville

While the siren song of success has been dulling our senses, Southern Baptists have suddenly stumbled into a crisis which is threatening our very foundations. No one living among us has ever seen an issue of greater importance—and few men have been equal to such a challenge in the long history of the Christian mission in the world.

The question can be stated bluntly: are we going to preserve and expand our institutions at the price of one of the very principles for which they were founded? Are we willing to turn to the federal government for tax support in carrying out Christ's commission to make disciples and teach them to observe all things which he has commanded?

Every institution owned and operated by Baptists should be an extension of the church's mission in the world. Every institution should embody a deliberate effort to carry out the command of our Lord—or we have no business with it. To turn to state or federal government for financial support in carrying out the commission of our Lord is to violate the basic nature of the Christian faith!

## Faith And Subsidy

Faith is not under government control, and it cannot survive with government subsidy. Faith is the free and willing response of the soul to the grace of God. The church is the divine creation of a body of Christian believers, utterly surrendered to the Lordship of Jesus Christ. Christian stewardship is the joyous overflow of the redeemed heart, offering body, soul, and possessions in the service of the King. To pollute the stream of free and sacrificial giving by a transference of tax dollars is to buy temporary life at the cost of ultimate death.

Taxes are extracted by law from those of every religion and no religion. To use this money for support of sectarian religious institutions of any kind is to violate the very nature of religious liberty. Our Baptist forefathers could see this principle very clearly, and they laid down their lives for it. Do we think that because this principle is old it is out of date? It is certainly possible that our Baptist forefathers could have been wrong in their interpretation of this principle; but, at the very least, we owe it to them and to our Lord to debate the issue on the fundamental nature of religious liberty. We should not be content with a subtle appeal to seek federal funds because our institutions are in financial difficulty and must be preserved at any cost. This is a deliberate appeal to expediency and bypasses the basic issue which must be faced.

## Strange New Sound

Today, we are hearing a strange new sound in our midst. Baptist leaders, with deeply vested institutional interests, are calling for a "re-thinking" of our historic position on religious liberty. Any Baptist, worthy of the name, is always ready to open God's Word and face up to a serious re-examination of our tradition. Our Baptist heritage, however great, cannot be equated with the Word of God. We may have been wrong in our understanding of God's truth! But when some of us opened our Bibles and prepared to "re-think" the issue under the leadership of God's Spirit and the probing questions of our brethren, we found that we have been treated with a harsh cynicism. We accepted the call to re-examine the issue, only to discover that some who had invited discussion had already made the decision. We were not being invited to an honest inquiry; we were confronted with an accomplished fact! A rationale had already been worked out for accepting federal funds. In some cases, we were asked to give obedient approval to funds already accepted! This ill-considered action has done more to undermine the Baptist witness and the voluntary support of our institutions than anything in our history. Dismay and shock are reaching to the deepest levels of Baptist confidence and commitment. Already, hundreds of thousands of faithful Baptists are wondering how they can support institutions which have violated one of the greatest principles which they were founded to preserve!

## Arguments Ignore Issue

Have you heard the arguments? Many of them ignore the real issue and make an appeal on the basis of pure expediency: if we do not take the funds, our institutions will be outstripped by those who do. Or, since we all pay taxes, and since Congress has voted to spend some of the money this way, by taking government subsidies we can get some of it back. Or, since other religious institutions are going to have their hand out for federal grants, we are going to be discriminating against ourselves if we do not take them. With the deep love which we have for our colleges and other institutions, our emotions cry out for their support at almost any cost. But this is the point of danger—when we love an institution more than we love the truth which it must serve, we have created an idol. The truth is more important than any earthly institution. We must consider this issue on the basic ground of the nature of the Christian life and the Christian mission in the world. Some Baptists may decide that they should take federal funds anyway; but the issue must be decided on principle rather than by such appeals to expediency.

Some have argued that we are already compromised by tax exemptions on religious gifts, on church buildings, or by third-class postal rates. No doubt there are many inconsistencies and contradictions in this exceedingly complex question of relationships between church and state. But every effort should be bent toward clarifying the lines and bearing a consistent witness to a free church in a free state. Instead, we have heard the crass appeal: since we are already compromised in several ways, why not go "whole hog" and take direct federal grants. When stated this bluntly, the whole argument is basically so immoral that it is repugnant to thoughtful Christians.

## No Absolute Separation

Sometimes this argument is stated more subtly. It is right, they say, that we are already involved in certain direct or indirect subsidies. After all, there is no absolute separation of church and state, and we should expect certain aid from the state even as we render certain services to the state. No intelligent Christian has ever supposed that there could be an absolute separation of church and state. We are citizens of the state at the same time that we are members of the spiritual fellowship of the church. We are subject to the laws of the state as citizens and as church members. We worship in buildings; we use the federal mails; we usually expect the fire department to come when we call. This means that we should pay like any other citizens for services rendered. The principle can be stated simply, even if specific applications are sometimes debatable: a church must not seek or accept any subsidy from the state in the exercise of her distinctive mission in the world, and the state must not hinder or limit the church in the proper exercise of her mission in the world.

Such a principle means, for instance, that income-producing property in the commercial market must be taxed like any other with which it is in competition. It certainly means that housing for clergy should be on the tax rolls like any other. It does not mean that a postal rate for lower grades of mail service, open to all, should suddenly be elevated in a kind of penalty to the churches. This would amount to a deliberate hindrance of the free exercise of religion. On the other hand, it would prohibit a special rate designed to subsidize the activity of any or all religious groups.

## Services Rendered

This principle would prohibit the levying of any tax upon the right to worship, or the place of worship, although a church might properly pay a reasonable sum for any services rendered to its property by any local, state, or federal

government. Some thoughtful Baptists who have wrestled with this problem have reasoned that such services as fire or police protection are a package service to tax-paying citizens in all of their legitimate activities: at home, at church, at play. This may be a valid argument, but a clearer witness to the principle of a free church in a free state would be the voluntary payment by the congregation for any service rendered to the church by any government. On both historical and theological grounds, to concede the right of the state to tax the place or exercise of worship itself is to subject the church to the possibility of control or manipulation by the state. To most Baptists, this is a clear violation of the fundamental character of religious liberty. That the power to tax is the power to control or destroy is a principle which is well-documented in American and world history.

The truth is that, with much effort, the overlapping in these areas could be immensely clarified. All of the greatest ideals are terribly difficult to apply in this confused world. But this does not mean that we should throw up a smoke-screen of hopelessness and say: the principle of a free church in a free state is impractical—let us junk it. No, we should try all the harder. The smallest gain in our witness to this great principle will have eternal worth in the sight of God.

## "Spiritual Blackmail"

We have even been subjected to a kind of "spiritual blackmail." We are told: if you Baptists do not increase your contributions to this institution, we will go get the money where we can (i.e., from the federal government). Or: you pastors had better get behind this drive for federal funds; how would you like for somebody to start a campaign to get your parsonage on the tax rolls? Surely the financial crisis of our schools, in particular, has reached major proportions, frustrated administrators and fund-raisers have been dismayed by inadequate support. They rightly feel that they are often asked to "make bricks without straw." Yet, the sinister motivation in this kind of threat is beneath consideration by earnest Christians. Our institutions are asked to expand and proliferate by any possible means. Our educators are not expected to offer in every school all of the things which may be offered in the largest state universities. But they are expected to do the best they can with what they are given. The school that suffers some limitations of its program because of fidelity to its deepest beliefs will, in the long run, serve the cause of Christ far better than one that expands at the sacrifice of these beliefs.

## Baptists Support Education

Baptists have shown that they will support a real program of Christian education in a reasonable number of colleges. But the mushrooming of new colleges in metropolitan areas has threatened the support of older colleges and helped to produce the present crisis. The overwhelming surge in student enrollments have swamped inadequate facilities. We have more Baptist students than we could ever hope to educate in Baptist colleges. Yet, we must not succumb to the oft-stated philosophy that our institutions must survive and expand—no matter how we get the money. If we get the money in the wrong way, we may "save" the institutions and lose the cause!

Some of our leaders have demonstrated their disillusionment with Baptist support of education by flirtation with federal tax support, and others have already passed the frustration stage by seizing the initiative and taking government funds without authorization of the Baptist convention owners. In this way the churches and conventions are put on the defensive with an "If you don't like it, why don't you do something about it" attitude. In the rough and tumble of the political wars, religious or otherwise, every old war-horse knows that this gives a tremendous advantage to the offense. Some of us have even heard such cynical counsel given in the strategy conferences of Baptist leadership: "Grab it before the convention can act upon it; they can't make you

give it back without making it up to you!" The backlash of disappointment and heartache over such political maneuvering will be felt in Baptist hearts for longer than any of us will live! All support for Christian education depends upon utter confidence in our leadership and on the deep commitment to the belief that a Christian college should be true to the principles of the Christian faith. People do not give to Christians institutions because they have to, but because they want to. They believe in them! When Christians can no longer believe in them, they have ceased to exist as Christian institutions—no matter how much money or how many people they have. This betrayal of a historic Baptist principle without convincing the minds of Southern Baptists that the principle is wrong has done more to undermine support of our institutions than poor stewardship ever has.

## Federal Control?

Some well-meaning persons have raised the old spectre of "federal control" when tax dollars are accepted. Immediately they have been squelched with a fatalistic pronouncement: "Don't you know that we are already subject to government control, zoning control, wage control, academic accreditation control, and on and on?" Besides, the contracts with the government are wonderfully liberal in their provisions. They permit almost any use of subsidized property except the very religious purposes for which they are built. Such magnanimity! The argument has actually been used that one may separate the "secular" activities of the church institution from its "spiritual" activities. Tax money could then be used to support secular functions of the institution without impairing the principle of church-state separation. Theologically and biblically, this is the most horrible distortion of all. Such a distinction is based upon a dualistic philosophy which could destroy the Christian faith. Christianity is not restricted to the Bible department! The scientist who delves into the mysteries of God's world is bearing his witness to truth as much as the New Testament professor. His responsibility in carrying out the commission of Christ is just as great as that of any other Christian.

Thoughtful Christians were appalled when they heard school administrators in the famous "Maryland College Case" testify under oath that their academic programs were entirely secular. They actually argued that they could safely be supported by government funds because their programs were in no way connected with the sectarian beliefs of their churches. They were, in fact, indistinguishable from the state-supported universities. While this may be truer than some would hope, it left the awkward question: "What on earth would the churches be doing with such schools?"

## Responsibilities

Certainly there are controls of many kinds upon the functioning of our Christian institutions as well as our state institutions. We have responsibilities to the larger community of fellow-citizens, be they Christian or not. But we dare not submit to the kind of control which prevents our being true to our distinctive mission as Christians. Here, we must be ready to lay down our lives! With every tax dollar there is some sacrifice of our freedom to be absolutely true to the Lordship of Christ in the Christian institution. The story of federal control following federal money is so old and so obvious that a wayfaring man, though a fool, could not err therein. Dependence upon tax support is a form of control in itself! Why does the federal government want to subsidize certain activities of church institutions? In the first place, congressmen want to be re-elected, and Congress finally succumbed to a most awe-inspiring onslaught of ecclesiastical pressure from that religious institution which will profit most. Secondly, the principle of self-interest is leading the government to subsidize those things which it considers good for the nation. As long as the purposes of government and the mission of Christ seem to coincide, this cozy situation may deceive the most alert. But a man who cannot distinguish between the government of this nation and the king-

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MARY JO FARRIS, nineteen-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Talbert Farris of New Albany, has recently completed eleven years of perfect Sunday school attendance. She is a member of Glenfield Church in New Albany where Rev. R. J. Wilmon is pastor. Miss Farris is a 1964 graduate of W. P. Daniel High School and attended Northeast Miss. Junior College. She is presently employed by Southern Bell in Tupelo.



LACY POTTER of Tupelo has accepted the position as part-time music director of West Jackson Street Church, Tupelo. He is entering full-time evangelistic work in the field of music.



Mrs. Mary Libby Payne

## Selected As 'Outstanding Young Woman'

Mrs. Mary Libby Payne, Brandon attorney, has been selected as one of those to be listed in the 1965 edition of "Outstanding Young Women of America," an annual biographical compilation of approximately 6,000 outstanding young women between the ages of 21 and 36.

Mrs. Payne is a member of First Church, Jackson, where she is prayer chairman for her WMS circle, Young People's Sunday school teacher, and Junior Training Union leader. She states with assurance, "I feel that the Lord called me to the ministry of jurisprudence."

She is secretary-treasurer of Rankin County Bar Association; vice - chairman of the Lawyer's Placement Committee of the State Junior Bar; Bar Commissioner from the Eighth Circuit Court District; and legislative draftsman for the House of Representatives.

A native of Gulfport, she is the former Mary Libby Bickerstaff—the daughter of the late Reece Bickerstaff, who was state representative for Harrison County for twenty years.

After graduating from Gulfport High School, with special distinction, she attended MSCW for two years. She transferred to the University of Mississippi, where she received the B.A. degree in 1954 and the LL.B. degree in August of 1955. In grade average, she was always first in her class.

Her husband, Bob Payne, is a statistician with Mississippi Employment Security Commission. He is tenor soloist in First Church, Jackson's choir and is an active Baptist layman. Often he serves as interim minister of music, for various churches over the state.

The Paynes have two boys, Reece and Glen, ages six and three.

## THE ANSWER IS YES!

# Federal Support For Institutions

By Bennett Strange, Professor  
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Many words have been printed of late regarding what should be taken by Baptist institutions in reference to federal aid. In particular, these narratives have been more against it since the implementation of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and its demand that federal money be administered on a non-discriminatory basis.

Most of the articles have attempted to give a serious analysis of this problem. However, in the Baptist Record of October 28 two articles were printed which demand some responsible reply.

The gist of the discourses was that Baptist institutions should not dare to touch one cent of federal money for fear of dictation by the government of the private administration of our colleges. One even went so far as to suggest that the federal government would require political science instead of Bible teaching and would require Baptist institutions to hire atheists and those of differing religious beliefs.

The first of these charges is too ridiculous to be dignified by an answer; the second would suggest that our Baptist colleges now only hire those who belong to Baptist churches. As a graduate of a Baptist college and a frequent visitor of other religious colleges, I have never found a denominational college which required membership in a particular church before employment. (One exception is Church of Christ colleges.)

The embarrassing aspect of this whole controversy is that these voices were silent when federal aid was first offered. They have become the "prophets of I-told-you-so" only after the race issue was introduced.

## Open To All

Regardless of what was the underlying reason for the federal government's edict, the fact still remains that all that has been asked of Baptist colleges is that they say what they should have said years ago without prodding, i.e., any educable Christian is welcome. Southern Baptists have held too long to the belief that state Cooperative Program funds should be used for Catholics who want to attend our colleges but not for Baptists if the Catholic is white and the Baptist Negro. This is the case since each student attending a denominational college has his education underwritten to some degree by the sponsoring institution. In our state only William Carey College and its far-sighted trustees have seen their Christian duty. To discriminate because of race and not religion is hardly either a just or a Christian policy.

It is high time for the Baptist leadership to step forward and decide, if they desire, that federal money should not be accepted but also that discriminating between students of like Christian belief because they are of different races is morally wrong.

## Curtailed Curriculum

The article of October 28 by Rev. J. Harold Stephens calls for increased support for a curtailed Baptist curriculum. No doubt a case could be built for restricted offerings at Baptist colleges but any such cutback would result in the re-establishment of "preachers' schools," which is hardly a constructive aim. Baptists need to cultivate religious leadership in the laymen as well as in the clergy. Perhaps more need rests in the former since they outnumber the ministers. No quarrel can be taken, however, with any sincere call for increased local aid in the administration of our denominational colleges.

The tragedy is that this call for support, the desire of

local participation and this urging for restraint in the accepting of federal aid are all predicated on the untenable position of discrimination.

## Role Of Federal Aid

The question then to answer is, what should be the role of federal aid? Perhaps now it should be explained, since those who have attacked failed to do so, what aid the federal government now provides for our denominational schools.

Generally it falls into three areas: research grants, direct aid to students, and building loans. This first category is hardly ever attacked and rightly so. This is payment, although stipend would be a better word, for work performed which is of benefit to mankind. Normally these grants provide for equipment and aid unavailable at most denominational colleges. After the termination of the grant, the equipment remains with the institution and under its control, not the government's. Dr. Allen O. Webb would find fault with this since he claims, without proof, that "The promise of one administration definitely does not bind successive governmental policies." However, without evidence to the contrary, we can only assume that our government thus far has honored all such commitments and will continue to do so as long as it is the will of the people under God.

## Aid To Students

The second area, aid to students, is in the form of payment to universities for education given to servicemen ("Operation Bootstrap" for example) which is in keeping with the image of "Father Bountiful" which is exuded on all recruiting posters and in loans to students. It is this loan program which hits the hardest at Baptist colleges. Under the National Defense Education Act, funds are provided on a matching basis, with the government absorbing the lion's share of the loan. Money is made available for students pursuing studies in fields considered necessary for national defense. For those anticipating a teaching career, half of the loan will be excused if they are teaching five years after graduation. Rev. Stevens takes issue with aid, contending that we have no scriptural basis for educating physicists or teachers. It could also be argued that we have no scriptural basis for being in the real estate business but few churches do not own property which they turn over to their pastor for his residence. If this were the consensus of religious thinking, we could expect all pastors to buy houses so that their churches could return to the Bible and get out of the housing business.

In the field of building loans, federal aid is on the basis of low-interest, long-term money grants. Private enterprise could gear to meet this need so that loss of federal funds would not be that heinous.

## Where Rejection Is Felt

The rejection of federal aid is then felt where least desirable—by the dedicated Christian student who desires a meaningful life but does not have the finances to make it possible. He must then either decide against his Christian education or against his meaningful life. Who wants to make that kind of decision? Who wants only atheists in positions of scientific study? Who wants to deny to dedicated Baptists the opportunity to become Christian educated teachers? Hardly enviable goals for any denomination.

These are serious problems to be faced by Mississippi Baptists and should be met by soul-searching prayer, not by misplaced emotionalism. Our children's education depends upon it; we dare not shut our eyes to the real problem. We dare not make a wrong decision.



## PASTOR ASKS WAKE FOREST BAN ON COMMUNIST SPEAKER

WINSTON - SALEM, N. C. (RNS) — A Baptist minister here urged opposition to a plan under which Wake Forest College, a Baptist school, will provide a speaking platform for a Communist.

The Rev. Walter L. Warford, onetime superintendent of the Pilot Mountain Baptist Association, said, "I am opposed to any invitation to top level Communist speakers to appear on any college campus in North Carolina and most certainly I am opposed to one speaking at Wake Forest College."

"Within a few days, my son will be on his way to Vietnam to fight communism's advance in that portion of the world," he said. "It is my sincere conviction that all churches, civic clubs and like organizations should take a positive stand now on the matter before us."

"Personally, I cannot see how any Christian or Christian institution can in any way lend encouragement to Com-

munist speakers or Communist activity in any form in these critical days. Rather it is high time we all take a more positive stand. It is high time we let the facts be known."

Mr. Warford is circulating among Baptist ministers and others interested in Wake Forest College copies of a letter from FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover supporting his position.

The letter from Mr. Hoover said, in part: "Some students are capable of recognizing and exposing Communist propaganda and propagandists — others are not. There lies the danger because Communists have made and are making recruits in our schools, colleges and universities. For that reason, I do not believe that Communist spokesmen should be allowed to speak on our campuses."

Under a resolution approved by the Student Legislature at Wake Forest College, a Communist will be invited to speak at the school. The invitation, the students said, will be in protest against a North Carolina law which bans Communists from speaking at State-supported schools (Wake Forest is a private school). The student resolution said the invitation will demonstrate "to the state and nation its (Wake Forest's) traditional faith in the democratic privilege of free and open discussion."

### E. Powell Lee, Evangelistic Singer Dies In Alabama

MONTGOMERY, Ala. (BP) — One of Southern Baptists' best known directors of evangelistic music, E. Powell Lee, died here Oct. 29 at the age of 75.

The Forest Park, Ga. native spent a lifetime in the field of church music, serving both local churches and with the denomination's Division of Evangelism of the Home Mission Board.

Lee was music director of churches in Selma, Birmingham, Little Rock, Raleigh, and Miami. Then for several years he led singing in tabernacle meetings with evangelist George T. Stephens and other Southern Baptist leaders, such as George W. Truett, M. E. Dodd, Roland Leavell, and Frank Tripp.

He served as a YMCA secretary in both World War I and II. The last nine years of his ministry was with the evangelism division as director of music.

### Goodyear Begins Ministry To Retarded Children

For a long time Mrs. Robert Rouillier of Picayune, Goodyear Church had dreamed of, prayed for, and talked about the organizing of a department in the Sunday School for mentally retarded children. This department or class would be specifically a ministry to mentally retarded children who most often after the beginner age are not provided for in the average church.

Many things hindered the opening of such a class. For one thing, there was no extra space available in the church building. For another thing, no literature and teaching guides had been developed and made available.

In April 1965, the Building and Planning Committee of the Goodyear Church presented a recommendation to the church for a new educational building. In the blueprints for the new building, a special department was planned for Exceptional Children.

On Oct. 3, 1965, this new educational building was occupied. Along with four other departments, the Exceptional Children's Department for the mentally retarded began in the new building.

During the summer Mrs. Rouillier attended classes at Ridgecrest Baptist Assembly, where she received instruction in work with mentally retarded. She, along with Mr. Rouillier, are working in this department. Presently three pupils are enrolled. The class is expected to grow as the parents of mentally retarded children become aware that this ministry is being provided.

Rev. Arlis F. Grice is pastor of Goodyear Church.



**'LAST SUPPER' GOES FROM FAIR TO AIRPORT CHAPEL**—NEW YORK—A life-size wood sculpture of The Last Supper, which became one of the most popular exhibits at the Protestant and Orthodox Center at the New York World's Fair, is examined at its new display location—the Protestant Chapel at John F. Kennedy International Airport. In front of the carving are J. W. Staley (left), director of facilities engineering of National Airlines, and H. B. Taylor, National Airlines assistant treasurer. Behind the art work are Dr. Dan M. Potter (center), executive director of the Protestant Council of the City of New York, sponsor of both the Fair pavilion and the airport chapel, and the owners of the carving, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Smith of Charleston, W. Va. The carving, by Dominic Zappia of Kansas City, Mo., was inspired by the famous Da Vinci painting. (RNS Photo)

## Newest In Books

### THE AMPLIFIED BIBLE

(Zondervan, 1504 pp., \$9.95)

The appearance of this edition of the Bible is a publishing event. It has been in production for a number of years. First, the New Testament appeared, then the last half of the Old Testament, and finally the first section of the Old Testament. Now all three of them are put together in one beautiful volume. More than 1,600,000 copies of the three separate books have been published, and the first order for the new one-volume was for 400,000 copies. As the title implies the Amplified Bible is more than a mere new translation. Outstanding scholars have labored painstakingly to prepare the best translation possible, and at the same time, have strengthened it by adding additional phrases and clarifying words to make the meaning of the passage clear. One does not have to turn to a commentary nor to a footnote to find the meaning. The full meaning of the Greek or Hebrew word is given, plus related references where they are needed. The scholars who prepared this edition of the Bible are thoroughly conservative, believing the Bible to be the inspired Word of God. They have sought diligently to find and express in English the shades of meaning found in the Hebrew and Greek texts. This book will be a delight to the average reader who does not know the original languages. At the same time, it will be most helpful to even the most scholarly preacher, as well as to the average pastor, in his Bible study and sermon preparation. Teachers and students alike will find that the scriptures open to them with rich new meaning as they search the Word. We hope that this new one-volume edition will be even more widely accepted than the preceding three volumes.

### VATICAN IMPERIALISM

IN THE TWENTIETH CENTURY by Avro Manhattan (Zondervan, 414 pp., \$5.95)

Has the Roman Catholic church changed? The author says "no". He says that despite the modern movements within the Roman church, the great basic positions of the church have not changed. In twenty-five soul-searching, well-documented chapters, he deals with the many facets of the church and its doctrines and practices. From all over the world, he has gathered materials, reports and statements of and concerning the Roman Catholic church, and presents them in this well-documented volume. If one believes that what Rome is, is what she says and does, then he will have to believe that this author is right in his position. The alarming mounting power of the Catholic church in the USA and other places, the hidden might of Catholic diplomacy, Vatican political directives to Catholics, the issue of church and state, ecumenicism, and other startling things are included. This is a "must" book for those who would do thorough research on Rome's position in today's world.

### THE BOOK OF ISAIAH, VOLUME I, CHAPTER 1-18

by Edward J. Young (Eerdmans, 534 pp., \$7.95)

This is the first volume to appear of the Old Testament portion of the new International Commentary. The author of this particular book is Dr. Edward J. Young, professor of Old Testament at Westminster Theological Seminary. Dr. Young considers Isaiah to be the author of the entire prophecy, and writes his commentary on that basis. The book is concerned not primarily with the textual problems, but with the meaning of the text. The author writes with the minister and Sunday School teacher in mind, and the average preacher or teacher will find rich illuminating material here. His discussion of the "virgin with child" prophecy in the seventh chapter is one of the clearest and most satisfactory this reviewer has read. The author clearly shows that those who deny the virgin birth cannot base their position on this passage, since the Hebrew usage of the word demands that the mother of the prophesied child be a virgin. This book sheds wonderful light upon the glorious prophet Isaiah and his work, and when one uses it, he will be anxious for the second volume to appear. The book is a part of the 32-volume Old Testament exposition written by men who believe the Bible is the Word of God and have as their one purpose laying bare the meaning of that Word.

### THE TRUE WILDERNESS

by H. A. Williams (J. B. Lippincott, 168 pp., \$2.95)

The author, a lecturer at Cambridge University in England has written this deeply personal book on "the Christian adventure of discovering our true selves." He has concluded that the world is largely a wilderness, and that the Christian gospel consists in accepting the wilderness for what it is. From this acceptance, he says, new life springs.

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## DEVOTIONAL—

### Trued And Balanced

By Rev. Robert W. Martin, Pastor, Ripley, Miss.

Some years ago, in spite of all my efforts to correct it, my automobile persisted in shimmying a little at relatively high speeds. The front end had been aligned. The wheels had been balanced. Still the trouble remained. It wasn't serious, but it was provoking. One day, while having a minor motor trouble checked, I told the mechanic of my problem. He suggested that I have the wheels both trued and balanced and told me where I could get it done. I had not heard of wheels being trued. It was normal to assume that this had been properly cared for by the manufacturer of the wheels and tires. Following his suggestion I had the front wheels trued and balanced. What a difference it made! The car drove like a dream.

Human life needs to be trued and balanced, if it is to achieve its purposes, and if its operation or activities are to be truly satisfying. As in the case of the automobile, truing and balancing in life implies an immovable center. Then as truing a wheel requires that each part of the outer rim be exactly equal in distance from the hub, so truing the life requires placing the whole of life in equal relation to life's center. Balancing requires equalizing the weight of all parts of the wheel or life in relation to the center or hub.

In Christ, and only in Christ, can life be satisfactorily trued and balanced. He is the center around which our lives must revolve. As they revolve around Him there is no need for fear that the center will in any way shift or change; for "Jesus Christ (is) the same yesterday, and today, and for ever." (Heb. 13:8) And we can know a real sense of safety and security when our lives revolve around Him because "by Him all things consist (hold together)." (Col. 1:17) Furthermore, we will come to understand and experience the fullness of life as we seek to true and balance life in relation to Him. Giving Christ prior, central, concern in all the relations of life fits into God's plan for our lives, for it is His purpose "that in all things He might have pre-eminence." (Col. 1:18)

Perhaps most, if not all, mankind tries to some extent to true and balance life around some center. Yet it is apparent that for the vast majority life is missing the mark. There is a sense of unfulfillment, dissatisfaction, yearning for the undiscovered experience in life that will bring love and joy and peace and fulfillment. Perhaps the trouble is the changing rather than changeless center, a center in shifting circumstances rather than in the unchanging anchor of the soul, Jesus Christ, if self rather than in the Saviour's sovereignty, in temporal gain rather than the Eternal God.

Paul said, "For to me to live is Christ." (Phil. 1:21) He had found the center for his life. All was well when all was properly related to Him. In such relation life was for him, and is for all mankind, best trued and balanced. Out of such discovery Paul could come to say, "I have learned, in whatever state I am, therewith to be content." (Phil. 4:11) So may I. So may you. May it be so.

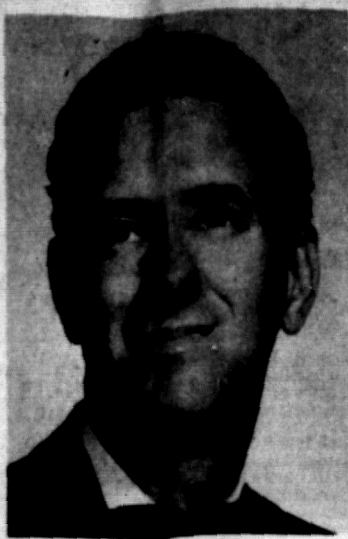
the National Churchman of the Year award from Southern Baptist Seminary here.

Former awards, given annually, have gone to such persons as pianist Van Cliburn and astronaut John Glenn. The award is given for noteworthy achievement in or out of the realm of the church.

### Arkabutla Awards Pins

On October 3, Arkabutla Church awarded perfect attendance pins to the following abasa five years: Kathy Daniel, 7-yr. pin; G. W. McGaha 5-yr. pin.

Rev. David Pratt is pastor.



Alon J. Colletti

### Begins Duties At 38th Avenue

Alon J. Colletti began his duties as minister of music and education at 38th Avenue Church, Hattiesburg, (Rev. V. C. Windham, pastor) Sunday, October 24. He has been serving as minister of music at Emmanuel Church, Biloxi, for the past 16 months, while also teaching in the Music Department of Biloxi High School.

Mr. Colletti received a B. M. E. degree from William Carey in 1964. While in college he served Ridgecrest Church, Hattiesburg and Temple Church, Petal. He has completed part of his work at New Orleans Seminary and plans to continue this later.

He is married to the former Edna Lucille Dasinger of Pensacola, Florida and they have four children, Beth 14, Daniel 11, Chanda 9 and Fern 8. They plan to move to Hattiesburg in January, 1966.

### Is Licensed

Paul Lee was licensed recently by East Heights Church, Tupelo, to the gospel ministry.

A graduate of Tupelo High School, he has enrolled at Clarke College. He has been used in youth work and in supply pastoring in several churches in Lee County, as well as in churches in Selma, Alabama, his former home.

Rev. Harold Wilder is East Heights pastor.

### First, Magee Calls Pastor

First Church, Magee, on Sunday, Oct. 24, called Rev. Mel Craft to serve as pastor.

Mr. Craft, a native of Petal, is married to the former Emmy Lou Mitchell of Pearl River County. They have two children, Mel Craig, age 4, and Rebecca, age 1.

Craft is a graduate of Mississippi College, and of New Orleans Seminary.

Among his pastorates have been Magee's Creek Church and First Church, Centerville, in Mississippi, and First Southern Baptist Church of Chandler, Arizona.

After serving the church at Chandler for three years as pastor, he headed the call of the Arizona Southern Baptist Convention to serve as Sunday school secretary for the state convention. He has served in this capacity for the past four years, where he has been a leader in developing the pioneer areas of the West.

Mr. Craft and his family, now living in Phoenix, Arizona, will move to Magee on December 1.

### NEW ORLEANS ALUMNI PLAN LUNCHEON

Mississippi alumni of New Orleans Seminary will hold a luncheon meeting November 17 during the state convention meeting in Jackson.

The annual alumni gathering will be held at First Church, at 1:00 p.m. Dr. J. Hardee Kennedy, (pictured) Dean, and Professor of Old Testament and Hebrew, will represent the seminary.

Serving as president of the Mississippi chapter of New Orleans Seminary alumni this year is Rev. J. C. Renfro of Jackson. At least 685 of the seminary's 4500 alumni are serving churches and institutions in Mississippi.



Allen Drost

### FIRST, NEWTON WELCOMES NEW STAFF MEMBER

Allen Drost is the new music-education director of First Church, Newton.

Mr. Drost moved to Newton from Second Avenue Church, Laurel. His education includes McNeese State College, Lake Charles, La.; Louisiana College, Pineville, La.; and New Orleans Seminary. He has served churches in Louisiana and Mississippi.

Mr. and Mrs. Drost have three children, Ernest 11, Doris 8, and Margaret 6.

First Church, Rev. J. N. Triplett, pastor, welcomed them with a reception Sunday evening, October 31 in the fellowship hall.

### Gore Springs Calls Pastor Observes 10th Anniversary

Rev. H. S. Rogers has accepted the call of Gore Springs Church, Grenada County, and began his duties as pastor there on October 31, moving onto the field on November 3.

Mr. Rogers has been pastor of the Freney Church, Carthage for the past three years.

On Sunday, October 4, Gore Springs Church observed its 10th anniversary. Bobby Gillon, former choir director of the church and one of the charter members, sang "Bless This House." All charter members present were recognized immediately following the reading of the Church History by Mrs. Earl Gillon, church clerk during the entire ten years.

Dinner was served on the church lawn and a special song service was held at 2 o'clock p. m. under the direction of Bobby Koonce, church music director. At this time, an offering was taken to be used toward the purchase of choir robes for the church. Rev. H. S. Rogers was guest speaker for the day.

Former pastors of the church are Rev. G. H. Middleton, West Point; Rev. L. B. Cooper, Marion, Ark.; and Rev. J. A. McCain, Harrisville.

### Revival Dates

West Ellenville Church: November 10-14 at 7 p. m. The evangelists will be young men who received God's call and were licensed to preach at West Ellenville. They are: Rev. Leroy Wright for Wednesday and Sunday nights, Rev. Roy Williams for Thursday night and Sunday morning, Rev. Bobby Hood for Friday night, and Rev. Jimmy Dale Dobson for Saturday night. Rev. Ernest Goff, pastor.

Westland Heights, Jackson: November 14-19; Rev. Barney Walker, evangelist; Charles Crane, in charge of music; two services on Sunday, evening services at 7:00 during the week; Rev. Archie Chapman, pastor.



Rev. Roger Smith

### Is Ordained

West Jackson Street Church, Tupelo, ordained Roger Smith to the gospel ministry on Sunday, October 17. Rev. Bobby Parker preached the ordination sermon.

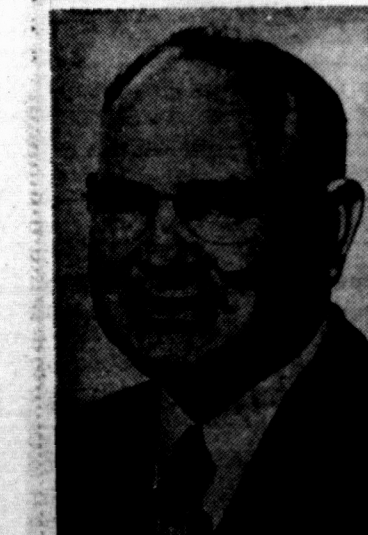
The son of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Smith of West Jackson Street Church, Mr. Smith has accepted the pastorate of the Lakeland Church. He is married and has one daughter.

### Jarman Honored By Seminary

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (RNS)—Maxey Jarman of Nashville, Tenn., publisher and author of the book, "A Businessman Looks at the Bible," received



REV. JOSEPH B. UNDERWOOD (center) consultant in evangelism and church development for the Foreign Mission Board, shows students at the international Baptist Theological Seminary, Ruschlikon, Switzerland, copies of promotional material used in the Spanish Baptist nationwide evangelistic campaign (held October 10-31). Dr. John D. W. Watts (right), missionary and seminary president, looks on. Mr. Underwood was in Europe to assist with evangelistic campaigns in Spain and France.



Rev. Chester Moulder

### 'On The Air' For 2240th Message

Friday, October 29, Rev. Chester Moulder ended his five-day per week preaching over WXXX radio station, Hattiesburg. Moulder started his air ministry January 9, 1941. He started his religious hour program over WXXX November 3, 1958, speaking Monday thru Thursday, and teaching the Sunday school lesson each Friday.

He has delivered 2240 messages over radio and television; 1822 over one radio station, WXXX. He has never been late and has only missed

### Churches In The News

First Church, Isola surprised their pastor, Rev. Bob Maddux, with a "Pastor Appreciation Party" in observance of his and Mrs. Maddux's second anniversary of service to the church. Following refreshments and a special program, a boxful of letters, written by members of the church, was given to the pastor and his wife. Another interesting gift was also given the Madduxes—a doll wrapped in a blanket made of dollar bills, in anticipation of their first child due in early spring.

Two mornings, when the transmitter was under water during the 1960 flood. He has received around 500 letters from his radio audience.

He is not completely leaving the radio ministry. Beginning Friday at 10 A.M. November 5, he continued teaching the Sunday school lesson over WXXX. He will continue preaching, teaching study courses, and helping in revivals in nearby churches.

### Tucker's Crossing Opposes Aid For Government Funds

Tucker's Crossing Church, Jones County, Rev. Bruce S. Hilburn, interim pastor, has adopted a resolution opposing Baptist acceptance of federal funds.

"We believe," the document states, "in common with all Baptists, in the principle of separation of church and state—a free church and a free state—and we hold a strict observance of this principle to be in the Baptist tradition, and an essential to effective Baptist witness."

"We believe the acceptance and use of federal funds, in any amount, by any church agency or institution, whether that aid be in the form of loans or grants of any kind, to be in direct contradiction of the long-standing Baptist position, and in strict violation of the spirit and tenor of New Testament scripture. We believe that the acceptance and use of federal aid by any church-owned and -operated agency or institution will ultimately result in federal control of said agency or institution."

"Therefore, the Tucker's

### Names In The News

Rev. James A. Bryant, former Mississippian, who now lives at Black Mountain, N. C., is spending the next two months at his mother's home in Crystal Springs, and will be available for supply or other ministry in this area until January. He was a chaplain during World War II and had a long pastorate in Washington, D. C., after the war, before moving to North Carolina. He also has worked with the Christian Home League. He has now retired from the pastorage and will be open for evangelistic meetings with emphasis on spiritual power, soul-winning and the Christian family. Until January he may be addressed at 211 West Railroad Ave., Crystal Springs. After that his address will be Broad River, Star Route 9, Black Mountain, N. C.

Dr. W. Douglas Hudgins, pastor of First Church, Jackson, was stewardship convocation speaker at First Church, Dallas, Texas, Dr. W. A. Criswell, pastor, for a banquet held on Monday evening, October 25.

Lisa Lynne, third daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Charles W. Wiggs, missionaries to Korea, was born October 16 at Wallace Memorial Baptist Hospital, Pusan, Korea, where Mr. Wiggs is administrator. Mr. and Mrs. Wiggs may be addressed at Baptist Mission, APO San Francisco, Calif. 96259.

Mrs. Laura Buster, mother of Miss Ray Buster, emeritus missionary to South Brazil, died October 14. Miss Buster may be addressed at Box 28, Clovis, N. M. Born in Sanger, Tex., she moved during childhood to Denton, Tex. She retired in 1963 after 40 years of missionary service.

Crossing Church resolves to go on record as being unalterably opposed to acceptance and use of federal funds in any amount, and in any form, by any agency or institution established, owned, and operated by our Baptist people in the interest of the Baptist cause."

Mrs. Stewart S. Sanderson, Sr., mother of Mrs. Robert H. Culpepper, missionary to Japan, died November 1 in Richmond, Va. Mrs. Culpepper may be addressed at 423 Hoshiguma, Fukuoka, Japan. The former Kathleen Sanderson, she is a native of Richmond. She was appointed a missionary in 1950.

Dr. C. Winfield Applewhite, medical missionary to Indonesia, on furlough presently and living with his family at Yazoo City, will be guest speaker at both worship services on November 14 at First Church, Isola, Rev. Bob Maddux, pastor. At the evening hour, he will show color slides of Southern Baptist work in Indonesia.

Linda Leigh, third child of Rev. and Mrs. L. Gene Legg, missionaries to Nigeria, was born October 16. Mr. and Mrs. Legg may be addressed at Baptist Hospital Kontagora, Nigeria, West Africa.

Dr. Chester L. Quarles, executive secretary-treasurer, Mississippi Baptist Convention Board, was guest at First Church, Shreveport, La., on Sunday, October 24. Dr. James W. Middleton is pastor.

Jim Moore recently received a five-year Sunday school perfect attendance pin at East Moss Point Church, Rev. Paul Leber, pastor.

Rev. and Mrs. John D. Smith, missionaries to Indonesia, have moved from Bandung to Jogjakarta, where he does student evangelism. Their address is Dji. Suroto 4, Jogjakarta, Java, Indonesia. Born in Lucien, Miss., he grew up in nearby Brookhaven, where she, the former Nellie Brock, also grew up (she was born in Harrisville, Miss.).

### REVIVAL RESULTS

Park Haven, Laurel: Oct. 27-31; decisions made at each service; three additions; the offering, without any drive for money, tripled. Rev. B. A. Foy, pastor of Beach Blvd. Church, evangelist; Rev. J. M. Foy, pastor.



Rev. W. N. Johnson

### FRIENDSHIP CALLS PASTOR

Rev. W. N. Johnson has accepted the pastorate of Friendship Church, Jones County. He moved there from Overt Church, Jones County. During his three-year ministry at Overt, the church added 41 members, 18 for baptism; one surrendered to preach; one was licensed to preach; two surrendered for special service; one deacon was ordained; and four persons from the church were appointed by the Home Mission Board. The church installed air-conditioning and heating units, and double doors for the vestibule.

Mr. Johnson is married to the former Grace Walker of Myrtle. They have two children, Mrs. Harry M. Thomas, Jr., of Jackson, and Robert M. Johnson, a submariner in the U. S. Navy stationed at New London, Connecticut, and one grandson, Harry Thomas, III.

Friendship Church welcomed the Johnsons with a surprise supper and miscellaneous shower. Also, the pastor's home had been completely remodeled.

### Is Licensed

David Turner has dedicated his life to the gospel ministry, and was recently licensed to preach to West Heights Church, Pontotoc, Rev. Gerald Buckley, pastor. Mr. Turner is a freshman at Mississippi College.

### Ethel Church Breaks Ground

As a part of the Morning Worship Service, October 24, Ethel Church observed groundbreaking for the first unit of their long-range building program.

This unit will provide space for the Beginner, Primary and Junior Departments, two restrooms, and will have central heating and air-conditioning. There will be approximately 2400 square feet in this unit, using the same type construction as the present building.

The service began in the sanctuary and was concluded on the lot where the new building is to be erected. Every family present received a miniature shovel as a souvenir of the groundbreaking occasion.

The Building Committee consists of A. M. Hood, Fred Brown, Sr., N. W. Carter, E. R. Clifton, Jr., Fred Sims, Mrs. Mary Graham, Mrs. Ralph Rone, Mrs. W. E. Leslie, Jr., and Miss Linda Brunt. Rev. C. R. Nichols is pastor.

### Southern Alumni Plan State Meet

Grady L. Nunn, (pictured) director of alumni affairs at Southern Seminary in Louisville, Kentucky, will be the faculty representative attending the Mississippi alumni luncheon to be held during the state convention.

The luncheon is scheduled for noon on November 17 at Parkway Church, Jackson.

President of the school's Mississippian this year was Rev. Schuyler M. Batson, pastor of First Church, Biloxi. Since Batson recently left the state, Dr. J. Riser, of Jackson, vice-president will preside. All graduates and former students of Southern Seminary are urged to check their calendar and plan to be present.